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A **TEACHER** who lost her job when a Folkestone school shut down has opened up her own preparatory school – in a hotel.

Rosie Lagrue, who was laid off when Westbrook House Prep closed in July, decided to take matters into her own hands and set up a class in the town's Grand Hotel.

Fourteen pupils will attend what has been named the Folkestone International Prep School, which will open next month after inspections by Ofsted.

Ms Lagrue said: "When Westbrook closed, a team of parents decided it would be a good idea

■ BY **MARIJKE COX**

to set up a new school. We had to find premises and were approached by Michael Steiner, from the Grand Hotel, who said we could use the ballroom.

"Now, though, we are able to use a whole wing of the hotel as a temporary home for the school, so there will be separate classrooms."

The process of registration will take about a month and until that is completed the prep school cannot officially open.

Ms Lagrue said: "Unfortunately we have to wait for an independent body to come in and

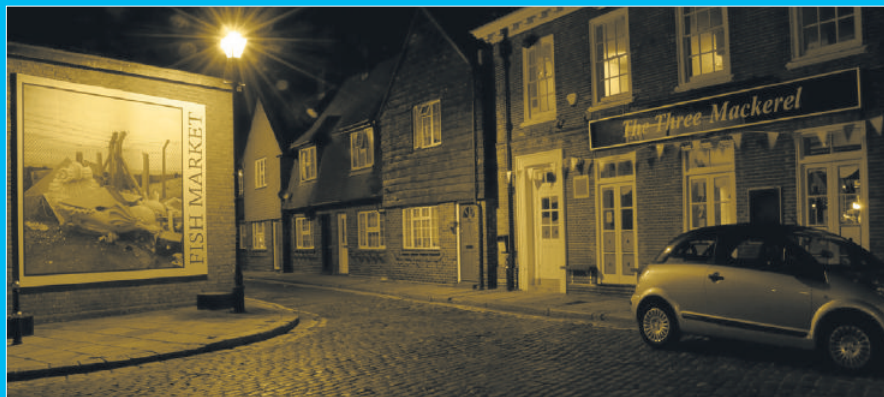
assess us, but we are running after-school activities, such as dance and fencing, for state-school children.

"We're also holding Saturday tutoring classes and over the summer holidays I've been working with year five pupils preparing them for the Kent Test."

More than 100 children were left without a school when Westbrook closed, with parents and staff being given only a day's notice of the closure.

It had been run by a charity funded by millionaire businessman Roger de Haan, but due to financial losses and a shortage of pupils it was decided the school should close.

## CAUGHT: HOOK, LINE AND SHUTTER



Top of the adult category in the Costa Coffee photo competition organised as part of the Folkestone Triennial was Paul Melia for this atmospheric snap entitled Fish Plenty. It shows the area on The Stade where the fishmarket poster by Seija Kameron hangs next to the Three Mackerel pub. The winner of the under-16 category was Herbie Tyler, 14, for a photo he took of his brother beside Richard Wilson's beach huts on the path below The Leas.



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# Plane-crash pilot goes on the run after drug report

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

AN AIRCRAFT pilot who was arrested on drugs charges after crashing his plane into a Shepway back garden has gone on the run from police.

A warrant for Sid Clark's arrest was issued on Tuesday last week after the 58-year-old failed to appear at Maidstone Crown Court.

The pilot was due to face charges of production and possession of cannabis and abstraction of electricity.

The missed court case came just a week after air accident investigators released a report into Mr Clark's plane crash.

His Cessna 172M Skyhawk crashed into thick conifer trees bordering a house in Farthing Common, near Hythe, on February 23 this year.

The impact sent the plane plummeting to the ground in the back garden of the property owned by an elderly couple.

The plane's right wing, fuel tank and mains electricity cables were torn off during the impact.

Amazingly, Mr Clark, 58, from Barming, near, Maidstone, and passenger Tim Des Vignes, 53, a convicted drug-smuggler on day release from prison, walked away from the wreckage with only minor cuts and

bruises. After the crash, Mr Clark said he had been taking his friend Mr Des Vignes on a "pleasure flight" to Dover and back as a treat.

An official report by the Air Accident Investigation Branch probing the cause of the crash refused to rule out the possibility that the pilot's flying skills had been affected by the drug.

The report states: "The possibility that cannabis may have impaired his [Mr Clark's] judgement and/or handling of complex tasks cannot be excluded."

## Wall of cloud

The AAIB investigation found that weather conditions deteriorated quickly after Mr Clark, who qualified for his pilot's licence in 2003, took off in the plane from Rochester airport.

Having reached Ashford at 3.10pm, the report found Mr Clark "descended in an attempt to keep below cloud but then found there appeared to be a 'wall of cloud' ahead."

"He decided to turn left towards Rochester and descended in an attempt to remain clear of the cloud. He then saw trees ahead that he was unable to avoid."

The report goes on: "The pilot, in a statement to police, described himself as a regular, heavy cannabis-user, smoking a large amount each evening."

"Loss of precision skills and slowed reaction are two documented effects of cannabis which make it incompatible with flying."

## Pair in court after incident

TWO men have appeared at Ashford court in connection with an alleged firearms incident on the A20 near Smethth on August 26.

Both men - Myles Yarney, 35, of North Road, Hythe, and Steven McIntosh, 40, from Bindon Blood Road, Dover - have been charged with affray and actual bodily harm.

Mr Yarney was charged with a further offence of possession of an imitation firearm with intent to cause fear or violence.

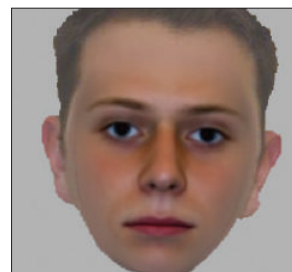
It is alleged the two men assaulted

David Brown and his son Damian at his home near Smethth following a dispute over a Ferrari car.

Police had been called to the scene of the incident following allegations that one of the men had a gun and a report of a road accident that happened as a result of the quarrel.

Speaking for the prosecution, Bob Morris said the alleged offences were serious enough in nature that they would have to be tried at crown court.

Both men have been bailed.



## Thugs who scared a girl aged nine

THESE are the e-fit pictures of three young men being hunted by police in Lydd after they threatened a nine-year-old girl and demanded money.

It happened on August 10 in Queens Road, Lydd, at about 3.50pm.

The girl refused to give them any money and they ran off towards Coronation Square after her dog barked at them.

The three suspects were part of a gang of five men aged 18-22.

Inspector Joe Bushnell said: "These are serious allegations, and the young girl was very upset by the incident."

"At present there have been no other reports."

"We would like to speak to anyone who recognises these men or has information that will help the investigation."

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# Celebrating 100 years of some grand beauties

THE Grand Hotel on the Leas in Folkestone stepped back in time as BBC South East's Inside Out programme celebrated the 100th anniversary of the first international beauty pageant.

The TV team brought alive the building's Edwardian heritage as they reconstructed the 1908 Miss Folkestone contest for a programme exploring the Kent roots of today's Miss World competition.

The event of a century ago, which was the brainchild of local businessman Robert Forsyth, attracted women from the UK – including Folkestone – and also France, Ireland and the US.

Complete with period costumes, presenter Kaddy Lee-Preston joined Natalie Archibald, the current Miss Folkestone 2008, and some of the other girls who took part in this year's competition to re-enact the contest.

It originally took place in the Hippodrome theatre on Folkestone's pier – long since demolished.

■ BY NICK AMES

Natalie played the part of the original 1908 winner, Nellie Jarman from East Molesey in Surrey.

The Grand's ballroom provided the perfect backdrop for the show, said producer Vince Rogers: "Along with the vintage costumes, the hotel's unique feel certainly helped give the reconstruction authenticity and it was fantastic that Natalie and her friends were able to take part."

"We also shot a scene in Folkestone's famous Leas Cliff Lift, which will really help to place the film visually in the town."

A hundred years ago, England put in five contestants, including Maud Watson and Winnie Osborn from Folkestone and Dorothy Crispin from Dover.

France contributed Parisian Dory Ta, Suzanne Challer and Andree Giuillard – although a planned appearance from the 'fisher girls' who gutted the catch every day in Boulogne did not materialise.

Two Irish sisters with the name of Connor did turn up, as did Virginia

Harrison, who caught a steamer from New York to represent the US.

The only other contestant was Asta Fleming from Austria, who finished second.

English rose Nellie, 18, won and her prize was a piano worth £37; local beauty Winnie was in third place.

One notable absentee was the German Kaiser, who it was rumoured had planned to make an appearance.

Protesting about the issue of votes for women were a large number of suffragettes all wearing sailor hats and carrying banners. Behind them were a number of soldiers.

Reports at the time spoke of a "mad rush" to get inside as hundreds thronged the area.

Voting for the winners was by the audience who "gave vent to their pent-up feelings and cheered for 15 minutes while Rule Britannia was played".

Some girls were received in silence, others with applause, but several with "loud laughter".

• BBC South East Inside Out returns to BBC One on Wednesday, September 17, at 7.30pm. Miss Folkestone 1908 is expected to be broadcast on October 1.



IQUE: Kaddy Lee-Preston with Miss Folkestone Natalie Archibald

## Marsh sheep make the point

A GROUP of Romney Marsh sheep were driven across London Bridge by a former High Sheriff of Kent who was publicising attempts to restore Canterbury Cathedral and local food production schemes.

Amanda Cottrell, from Challock, was exercising her right to do so as a Freeman of the City of London.

Along with the six New Romney rams, she was accompanied by TV historian Dr David Starkey and Viscount De L'Isle, who owns Penshurst Place. It was the first time in a decade the act had been performed.

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Artist Amy Feneck converted a lift into a pinhole camera

## Power protestor felt 'patronised'

AN ECO-ACTIVIST decided to shut down Kingsnorth power station after being "patronised" by Tony Blair, Gordon Brown and Bill Clinton, a court heard yesterday.

Ben Stewart, 34, from Lyminge, is one of six campaigners pleading not guilty to damaging the chimney at the Hoo peninsula plant during a Greenpeace protest in October.

Four men and a woman camped on top of the smoke-stack after a nine-hour climb up 1,000 steps. They then abseiled down its side to write 'Gordon' on it.

Tim Hewke, 48, from Ulcombe, is accused of co-ordinating the protest from the ground.

On the second day of their trial, Maidstone Crown Court heard how Stewart had tackled Mr Blair, Mr Brown and Mr Clinton face-to-face about climate change but felt patronised by their answers.

He said: "I got the impression Gordon Brown didn't seem bothered, so I decided to take part in more direct action."

Stewart, who is Greenpeace's communications director, said the group planned to paint 'Gordon Bin It' on the side of the chimney

because they knew it would attract media attention.

But owners E.ON obtained a High Court injunction and the group came down. They got as far as writing 'Gordon'.

In response to defence counsel Michael Wolkind QC, he said Kingsnorth made more carbon dioxide emissions in a year than the least-polluting 24 nations in the world.

He said the group didn't come down straight after the injunction was granted because they were "shattered" after their climb.

Mr Stewart's defence is that by stopping emissions from Kingsnorth for three days they were stopping damage to property across the world.

He said: "I make no apology for what I or my friends did."

Earlier Mr Wolkind described the activists as "goodies – not hoodies".

The £30,000 spent cleaning the chimney was outweighed by the amount of property saved, he argued.

Stewart, Hewke, Huw Williams, 41, from Nottingham, Kevin Drake, 44, of Westbury, Will Rose, 29, of London, and Emily Hall, 44, from New Zealand, all deny causing criminal damage to the power plant. The case continues.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Lift renovation fund three-quarters full

THE fund to restore the 1890 Leas Step Lift Carriage has now raised £17,500 of the £25,000 needed.

The restoration appeal was set up in October 2006 to raise funds to turn the last surviving stepped-lift carriage into a tourist attraction.

It seized operation in 1966 when the eastern tracks linking The Leas to the seafront were closed.

In 1985, one of the stepped carriages was removed and dismantled by Shepway council; the other was given to the Dover Transport Museum.

Twenty years later, it was returned to Folkestone through the efforts of local campaigner Robert Moulard, and the appeal was launched to raise the cash for its restoration started.

When complete, it is hoped it will be put on display in the town with other remnants of Folkestone's heritage.

Visit [www.leaslift.org.uk](http://www.leaslift.org.uk) for more information on ways to help.

## Cross the Channel for WWI battlefield tours

SEAFRANCE is offering great deals for visitors to the First World War battlefields in northern France.

November marks the 90th anniversary of the end of the First World War and the public will be able to visit some of its most famous settings with a little help from SeaFrance.

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Tory parliamentary hopeful Damian Collins finishes his sandcastle

# Fat of the land figures highlight rise in obesity

■ BY MARIJKE COX

A NEW 'fat map' of the UK has revealed that almost one in ten patients registered with a GP in the eastern and coastal Kent area is obese.

The figures, revealed by health information experts Dr Foster Research, also suggest the problem may be getting worse when compared with results of two years ago.

But despite 8.3 per cent of patients in the area, including Dover and Shepway, being overweight, other parts of the county have been revealed as worse.

Statistics for Medway PCT showed 9.4 per cent of patients as obese, although West Kent PCT, covering Maidstone and Gravesend, came out with just 7.2 per cent.

Other regions across the UK reached as high as 15.5 per cent, with others as low as 5.3 per cent.

The research was compiled by Dr Foster Research using data from GP practices in the Quality and Outcomes Framework.

This includes a register of patients aged 16

## TWENTY 'FATTEST' PLACES IN THE UK (IN PER CENT)

Barnsley	10.8	Isle of Wight	9.6
North Lincolnshire	10.7	Dudley	9.5
Doncaster	10.1	County Durham	9.4
Stoke-on-Trent	10.0	Medway	9.4
Wolverhampton	10.0	Barking & Dagenham	9.3
Blackpool	9.9	Hartlepool	9.3
Knowsley	9.9	Wakefield	9.3
Northumberland	9.9	Walsall Teaching	9.3

Eastern and Coastal Kent PCT came out with 8.3 per cent and West Kent with the lower figure of 7.2 per cent.

and above with a body mass index of 30 or over in the past 15 months.

Alex Young, senior project manager at Dr Foster Research, said: "We need to wait a few more years before we can say definitely that things are getting worse."

"There does, however, seem to be a growing problem in some areas."

"We are seeing parts of the outlying regions being affected rather than just the urban areas."

But a spokesman at Eastern and Coastal Kent PCT (ECK PCT) said the Trust was working hard to tackle the problem of obesity.

He said: "We are working closely with local councils, community and voluntary organisations to tackle the issue."

"The PCT has a long-term plan which, in partnership with the community, requires a change in the way we live our lives so that we can help address obesity."

"Experts agree that more exercise and a balanced diet are two good ways to help lead a healthier lifestyle."

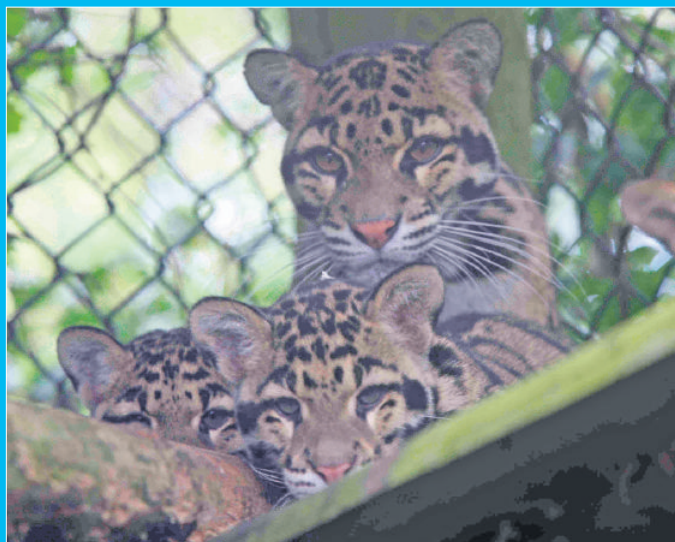
### Exercise

Ways in which the PCT is helping the problem include a weight management scheme in pharmacies and an exercise referral initiative that provides subsidised access for appropriate patients to exercise classes.

A healthy schools programme highlighting exercise and a healthy diet has also been rolled out, as well as a healthy walks project.

More than £700,000 has also been invested in a scheme to encourage families and children to be educated about the importance of healthier diets and exercise.

## SPOT THE SNOW LEOPARDS



Four clouded leopard cubs have been born as part of the Aspinall Foundation's breeding programme for endangered species.

Male and female cubs were born to pairs Nhi-Ha and Nanyo and Ben and Mandalay.

Visitors to Howletts can view the cubs as they come out to play most days in their enclosure.

The park has housed clouded leopards since the 1960s.

The animals are originally from South-East Asia but are under threat as much of their habitat has been lost to deforestation.

They are also hunted illegally for use in Chinese medicine.

Notorious for being difficult to breed, the male of the species is aggressive towards the females, and cubs suffer a high mortality rate.

Jim Vassie, head of the cats section at the zoo, said: "Generally, breeding of these animals is especially difficult in captivity, but currently with 23 clouded leopards Howletts is one of the few zoos to have been successful in its breeding programme with no fewer than 30 births since 2003."

Clouded leopards are found in the tropical rainforests of southern China, Sumatra and Borneo.

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IN ALL THEIR GLORY: Stunning bee orchids are among number of colourful species to see along the White Cliffs

# Orchids and cliff-top flora in full bloom

BY NICK AMES

AN IMPRESSIVE range of orchids has been thriving along the White Cliffs coast this summer after a long-term conservation project has reaped impressive dividends.

Orchids present on the rich chalk grassland behind the White Cliffs include the common spotted orchid, bee orchid, fragrant orchid and the man orchid.

Naturalists have been flocking to the area to see the flowers in all their glory as the White Cliffs become recognised as a home for exciting native species of plants.

Chalk grassland is acknowledged as one of the richest habitats in Europe for wildlife, with experts such as David Bellamy describing it as "Europe's equivalent of tropical rainforest" because of the huge range of plants, insects and birds in the area.

Folkestone and Dover Water Services has been instrumental in the conservation plans. The company manages more than 780 hectares along the cliffs, including nationally important chalk grassland at Lyoak, and conservation of a range of sensitive habitats is a top priority.

Its managing director, David Walton, says that close attention to the chalk grassland is

essential otherwise the wildlife, including the orchids, would be lost.

He said: "Without careful management the chalk grassland quickly reverts first to scrubland and then becomes wooded.

"So not surprisingly old chalk grassland is increasingly under threat and we are delighted to be able to help with conservation and preserve rare species.

"The company also owns sensitive woodland and marshland habitats and we are very conscious of our role in environmental conservation.

"We aim to both minimise impacts while taking water from the environment and enhance habitats whenever possible.

"We work closely with the Environment Agency and we plan local conservation work in partnership with the White Cliffs Countryside Project."

The Folkestone and Dover area has more than half the chalk grassland found in Kent, and accounts for some five per cent of the chalk grassland in Britain.

Controlled grazing helps preserve the landscape and Folkestone and Dover Water leases land to farmers, involving them in the conservation effort.

Meanwhile, the White Cliffs Countryside Project provides consultancy advice and helps develop specific land management plans to conserve and enhance the important grassland.

## Cash handouts to save energy and reduce bills

GRANTS of up £1,000 are being offered to Shepway residents towards the cost of installing eco-friendly solar hot water or electric systems in their homes.

They are being offered through an initiative from Shepway council to promote renewable energy in homes across the region.

The project – one of the first of its type in the UK – is being co-ordinated by the Kent Energy Centre, which provides sustainable energy advice to home-owners across the county.

"The scheme offers outstanding value for money

for solar technologies that people may have been thinking about but for whom cost has been the deciding factor," said Mike Bundy from KEC.

"With the likelihood of higher energy prices in the future, plus issues surrounding the security of supply, it is likely to mean that renewable energy becomes increasingly popular – particularly solar technology, which can easily be fitted into existing homes."

The move has been praised by environmental groups and is also one which will enable householders to cut the cost of heating bills.

## Mosaic teed up for the Triennial

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A MOSAIC inspired by the golf-course themed beach huts which formed part of the Triennial has just been completed by artist Jo Letchford.

It will be on display at the Cube Gallery until September 26, as part of an exhibition organised by Andy Tuohy.

Inspired by Richard Wilson's 18 Holes, which used the remains of the beachfront crazy golf course to decorate the huts, the mosaic contains more than 12,500 pieces.

Jo said: "It's fantastic to be taking part in Andy's exhibition and it's a real thrill to be working with a local artist on a subject that is both local and current."

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Sunday 7th Search For A Star Local Talent Finals	Sunday 5th at 5pm Performance, Comedy and Dance 2	Friday 7th at 7.30pm Tony Stockwell
Saturday 13th Disco Inferno	Saturday 12th The Orchestra ELO Part 11	Saturday 8th at 7.30pm Apocalypse In The Asylum from The Circus Of Horrors
Sunday 21st at 7.30pm Chas n Dave	Friday 17th Jimmy Carr Joke Technician	Saturday 15th at 5pm Basil Brush's High Skool Mania
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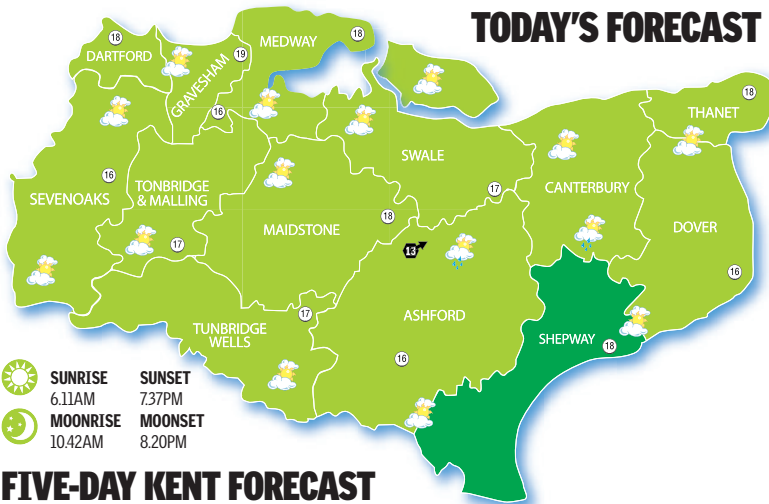


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	Sunday	3:05pm	6.3m
Dungeness	Saturday	2:38pm	7.6m
	Sunday	3:12pm	7.3m
Ramsgate	Saturday	3:03pm	5.0m
	Sunday	3:35pm	4.8m
Sheerness	Saturday	4:09pm	5.7m
	Sunday	4:42pm	5.5m
Whitstable	Saturday	4:16pm	5.3m
	Sunday	4:47pm	5.2m



## AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

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Gillingham	18°C	18°C	18°C	18°C	20°C	Tun Wells	16°C	18°C	18°C	18°C	19°C

## Police put out image of Calais rape suspect

A DESCRIPTION of the suspect involved in the rape of a female journalism student in an immigrant camp in Calais has been circulated to police after it is thought he may have fled to the UK via the Channel ports.

French detectives said the man they wish to question is in his 20s and of Middle Eastern appearance.

It is thought he may be a member of one of the people-smuggling gangs that operate in the area, aiding illegal immigrants to get to the UK in the backs of lorries via ferries or the Channel Tunnel.

Officers from Interpol put out the description after information was gained by local police who questioned a group claiming to be Afghan refugees.

The attack took place in an area called The Jungle - a squalid makeshift camp in woods outside the French port.

It is composed of hundreds of cardboard shacks and is home to refugees from the Middle East, the Balkans and Africa.

The site sprang up following the closure of the nearby Sangatte Red Cross camp in 2002 after it had been seen as a magnet for the would-be immigrants.

It borders a road named 'Gasoline Alley', so-called because lorry-drivers fill their tanks at garages there before travelling to the UK.

Bushes on either side of the road conceal the immigrants as they attempt to climb on to the lorries.

The victim of the rape was a 31-year-old woman, originally from Canada, who had been trying to highlight the plight of the immigrants.

The Deputy Public Prosecutor of the nearby town of Boulogne said after the attack that he felt there was a "strong possibility" the man sought by police was a human trafficker.

Phillippe Muller said: "The victim was raped and brutally attacked," he said. "She has very severe wounds around her mouth and scratch marks on her face."

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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### CATHERINE THOMAS



**Q** When did you first realise you wanted to be a model?

**A** I have wanted to be a model since I was little and when the America's Next Top Model television show was broadcast.

I was so into it and hoped they would make a British version, and when they did I was hoping it would still be running by the time I was 18 – and it was.

**Q** How did you feel when you got invited on the show?

**A** It didn't really sink it for a while because I had prepared myself for a 'no' as I didn't want to be upset if I did get an invitation.

So when they said, 'You are one of the girls', I was just in complete shock.

Then the sense of excitement came and my mum and I planned for weeks what I would pack and wondered what challenges there could be.

It was an amazing feeling knowing I was so lucky to be chosen as one of 14 girls out of the whole of Britain.

**Q** Was the audition tough?

**A** A little, because the panel was very quiet throughout my first audition, so I didn't know if they liked what I was saying or if they liked me.

After the first audition I was really down

because I thought I hadn't given it my all, so when I got a call saying I was in the top 30 and was invited for a another interview I made sure I gave the right impression.

**Q** How well did you get on with the other girls?

**A** I got on really well with the other girls. It was nice because we had so much fun and spent 24 hours a day with each other.

I have made friendships that I have kept even now the show is finished. Of course there were a few arguments, but that is normal and they were blown out of proportion.

**Q** Did you get the chance to watch yourself on TV?

**A** Yeah. It was really weird and a bit daunting when I was watching myself argue with another girl or hearing them say bad things about me.

But it was also really fun to watch the programme with my family because it was like a holiday video.

**Q** What was your best moment?

**A** My best moment was getting as far as I did, because I was aiming to come in the top five, so being runner-up was amazing.

Another best moment was winning the Max Factor challenge and winning a Dolce

and Gabbana dress, bag and shoes. I am scared to wear the outfit and use the bag in case I ruin them.

**Q** And your worst?

**A** Even though I am very proud of being runner-up, at the same time it was my worst moment because when the results were revealed it was like my dream was being stolen.

I put in so much effort throughout the show and to find that it wasn't quite enough was horrible.

Just standing there hoping and praying your picture comes up – and it doesn't – is heartbreaking.

**Q** How do you feel now the show is over?

**A** I feel really inspired to keep going, find my own agency and hopefully get a lot of work and be a successful model.

I feel very proud and a bit upset that it is all over because it was such a fun experience over all. I would definitely do it all over again.

**Q** What are your plans?

**A** Hopefully get an agency and be successful in modelling. I don't want to come this far and then give up. So, fingers crossed.

Catherine Thomas, from Cheriton, came second in the TV show Britain's Next Top Model. She tells Nick Ames how her ambition to make it in the cut-throat world of modelling has been fired up by her TV experience.



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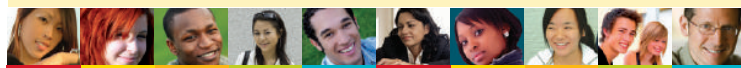
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The NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent is pleased to inform you about a temporary extension of availability and opening hours of X-Ray services at Folkestone NHS Walk-in Centre, part of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Radnor Park Avenue.

The extended X-Ray service is available now for three extra hours in the weekday evenings and all day Saturday to test the demand and impact of providing extended X-Ray department opening hours.

The temporary service is available six days a week until **Saturday 18th October 2008**

The opening hours during this trial period are: **Monday to Friday 9am - 8pm / Saturday 9am - 5pm**

To access this service you will need to receive an X-Ray as part of your treatment when visiting the Walk-in Centre.

It is hoped that this temporary extension will give patients an opportunity to have an X-Ray at a more convenient time. After the 12 week trial period the number of people using the extended services will be assessed to see if the extended hours should be made permanent.

For further information contact:

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# Rocket man aims to cross Channel

BY STEVE KNIGHT

ROCKET man Yves Rossy will attempt to make history this month when he launches himself across the Channel.

The Swiss national is aiming to be the first person to complete a jet-propelled flight from Calais to Dover on Wednesday, September 24. Rossy, who celebrated his 49th birthday last Wednesday, completed a test flight at the end of last month with an eight-foot carbon-fibre wing powered by four engines.

He flew for more than 22 miles – the equivalent of a cross-Channel trip.

Afterwards Rossy said: "Everything went well. It was awesome.

"It's my longest flight with this wing. If there are no technical problems it will be OK for the English Channel.

"I did the distance. Everything is going swimmingly."

Rossy's stunt will mark 99 years since Louis Bleriot became the first man to cross the Channel in an aircraft.

It will be broadcast live in 165 countries by the National Geographic Channel and will also be on website [www.natgeotv.com](http://www.natgeotv.com).

Rossy, who is nicknamed FusionMan, said: "My flight will be a tribute to all those who came before me, many of whom were killed."

The test flight on August 20 saw the former commercial and fighter pilot leap from a small plane 7,500ft above the town of Bex, in Switzerland.

Despite having to postpone the jump several times because of "electronic interference problems", Rossy reached speeds of 180mph as he flew to Villeneuve and back wearing a heat-resistant suit similar to those worn by racing



**FUSIONMAN:** Yves Rossy plans to cross the English Channel using unique jet wings strapped to his back

drivers. He was able to alter direction in the sky by shifting his weight or simply turning his head and shoulders.

When he had reached his destination of Bex airfield, he released two parachutes at 5,000ft and 4,000ft to land safely and with two litres of fuel remaining.

Rossy's planned Channel crossing came as news to Dover Coastguard, although a spokesman said it was not a legal requirement for the rocketeer to contact them.

She added: "It's something we would like to be told about, but we are in the dark at the

moment. For instance we would like to know if he will be in communication with somebody during the flight.

"It's not the sort of thing you can just go ahead and do. He will have to obey the rules of the Dover Straits, of which there are many."

Rossy staged his first public flight in May, when he wowed crowds with an acrobatic display above the Alps. He later admitted a 360-degree flip was to "impress the girls".

For more information on Yves Rossy, including videos and photos of him in action, visit [www.fusionman.ch](http://www.fusionman.ch).



**SNOW WHITE:** Emma Barton should avoid apples

## Come and join the auditions

GIRLS from across Kent are being given the chance to tread the boards with the stars of this year's Marlowe pantomime.

Auditions for the juvenile ensemble of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs take place in Canterbury on Sunday, September 21.

Choreographer Abi Jouxson-Mair, who comes from Chatham, will be putting girls aged between eight and 16 through their paces at the Prince of Wales Community Centre in Military Road. Registration is at 3pm and the auditions start at 3.30pm.

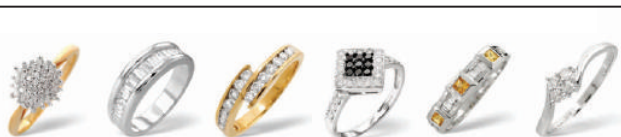
Snow White producer Paul Hendy said they would be looking for the usual combination of girls who can sing and dance. He said: "Apart from that, all we ask is that they smile!"

He went on: "The girls should come along to the auditions ready to dance and we ask that they don't bring any food, only water. If anyone feels anxious about auditioning on their own – don't! Everyone will be taught a routine and asked to perform it in groups."

For any queries about the auditions contact Alison Grant at Evolution Productions by emailing [ali@evolution-productions.co.uk](mailto:ali@evolution-productions.co.uk)

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs opens at the Marlowe on Saturday, November 29, and runs until mid-January.

It stars TV presenter and magician Stephen Mulhern (last year's Aladdin) and EastEnders actress Emma Barton, along with a talented supporting cast. Further details are available from the box office on 01227 787787 or see [www.marlowetheatre.com](http://www.marlowetheatre.com)



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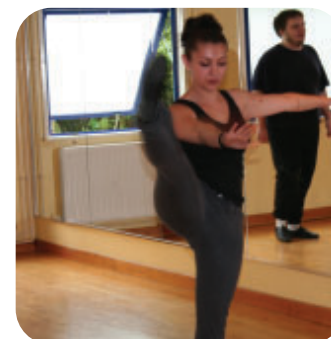
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# Innovation to beat superbugs

■ BY JENNA PUDELEK

ENTREPRENEURS and businesses in Kent with products or technologies that could help prevent the spread of superbugs have been invited to take part in a new programme by the NHS.

NHS Innovations South East, which helps health service inventors promote their ideas, said it believed industry could play an active role in helping combat the killer infections.

It said automotive, IT, food and drink, engineering and manufacturing firms across the region could help the NHS beat the bugs.

The Office for National Statistics announced on Thursday that the number of death certificates in England and Wales mentioning *Clostridium difficile* (C diff) increased 28 per cent in 2007.

Deaths from the superbug have risen year on year since 1999, the authority found.

KOS Media has been running a hand hygiene campaign highlighting that simply

washing your hands can help stop the spread of superbugs.

We have been working with the NHS to raise awareness about how infections spread and good control and prevention methods.

Reducing healthcare-associated infections (HCAs) like C diff and MRSA is one of the top priorities for the NHS and the Department of Health believes new technologies and equipment, as well as good hygiene practices, can help it achieve its targets more quickly.

Jo James, chief executive of the Kent Invicta Chamber of Commerce, said: "My initial view is that MRSA and C diff are problems that they [the NHS] have not managed to find a solution to yet and they are growing problems."

"Why not look to industry where there is a wealth of experience and call on the experience that is out there? It is not just a hospital problem; it is a problem that affects us all."

"There are so many industries...where they have got lots of things already there and a huge amount of experts dealing with



the problem [of infection control and prevention].

"I think it is a great initiative to look outside and look for help and pull the resources to combat superbugs."

The chamber is an independent body that was set up to support business growth and enterprise in Kent.

NHS Innovation South East is one of nine hubs across the country. The Smart Solutions scheme is being run nationally by NHS Innovations North West.

Brian Griffiths, the project director, said: "Our aim is to find the most effective solutions to control HCAs and we are keeping an open mind as to where these could come from."

"Whether it is a product from a medical company, something developed for a completely different purpose or even an idea from an inventor in the spare room, we will assess its potential."

Dr Sara Mumford, director of infection prevention and control at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust, said: "This



is a very positive and welcome initiative. If companies come up with potentially effective ways of combating infections we are always willing to take part in trials of new products."

• *If you think you have an idea or solution that can help the NHS beat superbugs visit [www.smartsolutionsforhcai.co.uk](http://www.smartsolutionsforhcai.co.uk).*

## New bus posters part of drink-drive crackdown

HARD-hitting posters are being carried on buses across the county highlighting the dangers of drink driving.

Kent Highway Services' 'drinking and driving wrecks lives' campaign has gone out across 72 Stagecoach buses, covering Maidstone, Ashford, Dover, Thanet, Canterbury, Folkestone, Dartford, Gravesend and Tunbridge Wells.

KHS' road safety chief Anne-Marie Penny said the posters were being run to remind drivers that drink driving is dangerous all year round, not just at Christmas.

She said: "Drink-driving wrecks lives all year-round and drivers need to realise that it's just as dangerous in the summer as it is at Christmas."

"You don't have to be drunk to be dangerous – even one drink can affect your judgement and reactions."

"By using these bus posters, we can reach more drivers than a static poster could and it's vital that we get our message out there to try and prevent needless tragedies caused by drink driving."

Kent police figures reveal a total of 250 motorists are arrested every month on the county's road for drink driving offences.

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The poster campaign will run across Kent until September 29.



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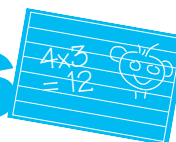
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## BREAK TIME

### History of slavery on the curriculum

THE slave trade is to become a compulsory part of secondary school history classes from September.

Britain's involvement in slavery will join other mandatory topics such as the two world wars and the Holocaust.

Pupils will learn how the trade affected the industrial revolution, the development of trade, and colonialism, and how slavery was abolished.

The long-term impact of slavery, including the civil rights movement, will also be studied, with ministers hoping this will improve children's understanding of the make-up of modern Britain.

Children's Minister Kevin Brennan said: "Although we may sometimes be ashamed to admit it, the slave trade is an integral part of British history."

"It is inextricably linked to trade, colonisation, industrialisation and the British empire."

"It is important that children learn about this and the links to wider world history, such as the American civil rights movement, the repercussions of which are still being felt today."

"That is why the slave trade will join the British empire, two world wars and the Holocaust as compulsory parts of the secondary school history curriculum from this month."

The curriculum has been developed with the assistance of the Understanding Slavery Initiative, which encourages teachers, educators and young people to examine the history and legacy of the transatlantic slave trade through museum artefacts.

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# Heads send back papers in SATS marking fiasco

BY GARETH ARNOLD

THOUSANDS of SATS exam papers are to be marked again in the wake of complaints from head-teachers highlighting inconsistent scoring and clerical errors.

Many papers are being reassessed at the request of schools as many heads take issue with the quality of this year's marking, which was handled by ETS Europe.

Lisa Evans, head of Graveney Primary School, said her school's reports were late out this year as they were forced to wait for key stage two papers to be returned.

She said: "I have sent four papers back, one with clerical errors on a maths paper and the others for inconsistent marking."

"I am absolutely appalled with the whole system considering the importance placed on these exams by the Government. The pressure my pupils have to go through to sit these exams then to find that many of the papers have been inaccurately marked makes a mockery of the system."

"I would like to see these exams scrapped, as has already happened in Wales and Scotland, and replaced by a more reliable assessment system undertaken by professionals."

Brenda Windsor, of Hernhill Primary, said the school only received its results very late in the year and it had been "very stressful".

She said: "We received our scripts and results on July 15, obviously putting pressure on staff to go through the papers to check for accuracy and consistency at an incredibly busy time of year."

"We delayed sending out the school reports in the hope the results might turn up and be sent out with them as usual, but had to eventually



**TESTING TIMES:** Primary school head-teachers have returned thousands of SATS papers on behalf of pupils

include a note to let parents know they would be sent out as soon as we had them."

"Despite having limited time, we have been through all the papers and found some inaccuracies, but only one which we believe has changed the levels. That script has been returned for remarking."

The five-year contract to administer the SATS tests, awarded to American-backed company ETS Europe, has been scrapped as a result of widespread condemnation.

The reassessments will be handled by The National Assessment Agency, with help from the company previously contracted to conduct

the tests, Edexcel. David Gee, managing director of NAA, said: "Following the delays and data entry problems experienced earlier this year, it is crucial that the reviews process is robust, effective and retains the confidence of schools in the outcomes of the tests."

"If schools have evidence that the marking scheme has been misapplied, they should apply for a review and the NAA will ensure the application is properly evaluated and, where necessary, scripts remarked."

Schools have until September 10 – ten days after they return from summer holidays – to appeal against the marking of SATS papers.

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## Why we should always take pride in British sports success

BRITISH sport is rubbish, isn't it? You disagree? As it happens, so do I.

But had I asked the question before the Olympics, of someone whose sporting knowledge is gleaned from a national newspaper and that would've been their likely response to "What do you think of British Sport?"

The thing is, the cyclists, rowers, sailors, in fact, most of our medalists at the Beijing Games didn't just suddenly appear and get lucky. They were already established in the top echelons of their sports along with swimmers, archers, squash players and many more.

One of our biggest participation sports – Karate – is where, at the recent WIKF World Championships, England topped the medal table with 12 golds, just under a third of those available from 38 events. A further 16 medals were split equally across silver and bronze.

You didn't know? Can't blame you, it isn't even on the BBC Sport website. Reflect on those figures – the USA won only eight medals in total, just one of them gold.

I haven't bought a national newspaper for years, not since one of them ran a headline on their back page – R.I.P. English Sport. Why? Because we'd lost a football qualifier, a cricket test match and a boxing World Title fight. The editor conveniently forgot we'd won the Five Nations rugby and had two other title fight winners. And the karate team, of course, who were topping the medal table back then, too.

Britons complete at the highest level in most sports, I doubt any other nation can boast the sheer variety of international top class competitors that we do. Sure, the Swiss will always beat us in Winter Sports (except the skeleton bob maybe, where Britain's Kristian Bromley is the reigning World Cup, European and World Champion) but where are they when it comes to Rugby?

The Germans undoubtedly have the upper hand in football post 1966, but when did they last win a cricket match against us? Russian golfers? Nope. Is there an Australian karate team? They didn't win a medal. As for the Chinese – yes, they topped the Olympic table but name me one Chinese darts player, go on!

Yet, somehow, we always return to our disappointments in football. Where did we go wrong? How do we improve? Not by passing stupid laws at grass roots level governing age groups. Next year, talented players who run rings around opponents of their own age won't be able to move up and progress.

Oh no, our dear FA have stipulated that they should remain in their own age group and stagnate, get bored and then probably give up altogether. Way to go. Apt name, FA. Pretty much covers what our national team are likely to win. Perhaps Sir Clive Woodward can take over from Brian Barwick, assuming the British Olympic Association will release him.

Still, don't despair BritSport fans, next time we don't make it to the footie finals, there's sure to be a pentathlete, triathlete or horse rider winning somewhere else. And with environmental and petrol issues continuing, the national sport will be cycling by 2012!

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## TALK TIME

### LOUIS GROVER

The KCC countryside officer for Brockhill Country Park talks about his role at the site, which has just been re-awarded Green Flag status.



#### Tell us about yourself

I am 35 and happily married with two little girls. I am an active person who enjoys the countryside, camping and roadcycling.

#### Why did you want to be a countryside officer?

Ever since I was young I have been interested in wildlife, turning over the rocks in the garden to collect insects, or hunting for toads and newts at the allotments. During my last year at secondary school I was lucky enough to do work experience at Brockhill Country Park. I thoroughly enjoyed it and promised myself that one day I would become a ranger. I went to college twice to study conservation and habitat management and started full-time employment at Brockhill Country Park as the assistant ranger in 1996. I can honestly say I still love my job and the people I work with – it's great.

#### What can Brockhill Country Park offer visitors?

It is a safe, clean, well-presented park – this has once again been confirmed by The Civic Trust, which has awarded us the Green Flag for 2008/9 – the second time in a row the park has won this prestigious award. There is a great cafe providing good, wholesome food. There is a play area for children and beautiful walks. Or you can wander along the Brockhill stream and listen to water as it makes its way to the Royal Military Canal.

#### What is your favourite thing about the park?

The mix of habitats – from big majestic oak trees to open grassland, streams and woodland. It has a real sense of wilderness and mystery.

## YOUR LETTERS

### Share your tales of the Hotel Lyndhurst

As Folkestone historians, we are compiling the history of the present Homepine House site in Sandgate Road.

We have traced the names of those who lived in the original eight Victorian houses in the 1890s, and we have much of the story of Homepine House since it was built 22 years ago.

We do require help, however, with the story of the Lyndhurst Hotel from the time four of the houses were amalgamated to form the Hotel Lyndhurst in 1921 until it was demolished in 1973.

If anyone worked there or was a guest could contact us, we would be very grateful. Of course, any printed matter or photograph we are allowed to photocopy would be a bonus.

Ken and Julie Paine  
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### End of service is the pits for poor

Readers may not be aware that the cesspool-emptying service from Dover District Council will be finishing on Tuesday, September 30, and users of this service will need to make other arrangements.

It is likely this will result in a considerable increase in charges at a difficult time for those involved – living in a rural community is already expensive enough. In other parts of Kent there is a minimum charge of around £100, compared with the district council's current charge of £42.76 for 500 litres.

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Teenager escapes jail after making up rape claim

A 16-year-old girl has been handed a 12 month referral order including counselling sessions after falsely accusing a man of raping her. Youmaidstone reports. Maidstone magistrates heard the teenager had claimed a 19-year-old youth had dragged her into his home and raped her. But she >>>

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these changes. I am pressing the district council to investigate how it could help those most in

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Clr Ben Bano  
Leader of the Labour group  
Dover District Council

## Medal may be late but would be right

Well done to the people who are calling for a medal for Walter Tull – albeit posthumously.

His story may be almost 100 years old, but it has great relevance for a country where race and background are still an issue for so many people.

Let's hope the powers-that-be recognise his contribution and give him an award.

I am sure it would make any surviving family proud.

Dave Harkes  
by email

## We don't have the resources of China

Celebrations concerning the British Olympic team and the event such as we saw in Dover on Sunday are all very well, but how are we going to pay for London 2012?

We are not a country with the resources of China and I cannot help but feel our own Games will be a bit of a damp squib when it comes to presentation.

We will never emulate what we saw at the opening ceremony in Beijing.

Nichola Higgins  
by email

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Mike Piggott  
by email

## Too many chiefs have ruined health service

Professor Paul Goddard left the NHS after 30 years' practice.

His book exposes a target culture of over-management and wasted resources on bureaucracy, *eg* he believes patients are starving if unable to feed themselves and are discharged malnourished.

He is scathing that the Government can afford tiers of needless management but will not make sterilisation and basic hygiene central to patient care in hospitals. He would halt all PFI and return to nursing that treats each patient as an individual.

Bureaucrats are not fit to run the NHS. They are responsible for rationing services and following inappropriate policies. They have turned the NHS into a postcode lottery. Despite record spending, England is lagging behind other European countries.

The on-costs of PFI, GP-enhanced payments and salaries and the setting-up of worthless Primary Care Trusts have all backfired and deprived patients of adequate, suitable services.

Political control and interference

have demolished the NHS and fed us bogus arguments that whatever the Government wants is affordable but that public health and disease prevention is unaffordable.

Taxpayers are saddled with unaffordable living costs, while Government lackeys in monopolistic service provision have boosted their incomes and bonuses at our expense.

Rita Grootendorst  
by email

## Support will be a benefit to sufferers

Almost every reader of this newspaper will know someone who has ME. They may even know someone who is so badly affected by the illness that they have lost their job and have to live on benefits.

Believe me, for them this is not a career choice. Without exception, people with ME are desperate to get well and live normal lives.

The benefits shake-up recently proposed by the Government has serious and far-reaching implications for vulnerable people such as those affected by this chronic fluctuating illness.

It promises fairness for disabled people in what is a barely-disguised attempt to cut the benefits bill by forcing people back into work before they are well enough. What next – will we be expected to send our old and sick to the workhouse?

Action For ME is urging everyone with ME and their carers to take part in the public consultation on the proposals by completing the survey on our website, [www.afme.org.uk](http://www.afme.org.uk).

The survey asks important

questions about people's health, their experiences of the existing benefits system, their hopes and the strategies they have used to try to get back into work.

We will use the results to lobby the Government. The Prime Minister must not be allowed to reduce his benefits bill at the cost of ruining the health of genuine claimants.

Sir Peter Spencer  
Action For ME

## There's a mine of safer fun elsewhere

Tragically, every year, young people put themselves at risk of injury and even death in quarries.

It happens right across the country – including Kent.

I appeal to parents to ensure their children are aware of the potential dangers. The warning applies to both active and disused quarries.

A recent poll on our website [www.qpa.org](http://www.qpa.org) reveals that 34 per cent of those responding have knowingly trespassed into a quarry, which shows we have to do all we can to take responsibility, maintain safety and tackle site trespass.

A quarry is a safe place to work, it is not a safe place to play.

The dangers of falling are obvious. Other risks are less evident – lakes are often deep and bitterly cold; sand stockpiles can collapse and leave children trapped.

If your children are still fascinated by quarries, they may enjoy our free, fun and educational websites: [www.virtualquarry.co.uk](http://www.virtualquarry.co.uk) and [www.quarryrescue.com](http://www.quarryrescue.com).

Simon van der Byl  
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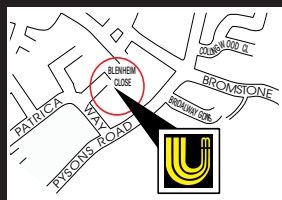
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**GOOD BOOK:** The cartoon version of The Jungle Book was the last to be produced by Walt Disney himself – here the story is brought to life on stage

# Book into the jungle

## The bear necessities of life brought to the stage

GRAB a vine and swing into the world of The Jungle Book as a popular stage version of the classic tale returns to Kent.

Birmingham Stage Company's hugely successful production is a colourful and exciting family show that brings Rudyard Kipling's beloved story to life. Meet the creatures of the jungle as they battle to protect the life of young Mowgli and embark on an adventure that brings them all sorts of surprises.

The company commissioned children's playwright Stuart Paterson to adapt the 100-year-old story in 2005.

It was set to a brand new score by composer BB Cooper and lyricist Barb Jung, along with additional music and orchestrations by talented 16-year-old newcomer Gideon Fineman, and played to sell-out crowds across the country.

Now it is back on the road by popular demand and Kent audiences have the chance to discover the magic.

A talented cast of 10 bring the unforgettable characters to life, with realistic animal movements created by expert Peter Elliot. He is, of course, a master of movement himself, having played monkeys in the



films Greystoke, Gorillas In The Mist and Congo.

The story follows the adventures of young boy Mowgli, who is raised by wolves in the jungle and feels as at home there as any of his furry chums.

But when the menacing tiger Shere Khan announces his intention to kill the boy, Baloo the bear and Bagheera

the panther make a heartbreaking decision. They decide to take Mowgli to the man village in the interests of his safety, but their journey will be fraught with danger, adventure and unexpected encounters.

A trailer of the show can be viewed at [www.birminghamstage.net](http://www.birminghamstage.net).

The Jungle Book began life as a collection of stories written by English author Rudyard Kipling in 1894. Inspired by his early childhood in India, and his return as a teenager to work, the stories were written while he was living in the US.

The first book contained stories about the adventures of Mowgli, along with other fables which used talking animals to make moral points. The Second Jungle Book, published the following year, featured five more stories about Mowgli.

The stories were to inspire one of the best-loved Disney animated films, which was also the last movie produced by Walt Disney himself.

Tickets are priced from £10 to £14 for adults and £8/£7.50 for children. Phone the box office on 01892 530613/532072, or book online at [www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk](http://www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk).

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## ENVIRONMENTAL ENRICHMENT

Saturday and Sunday,  
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Port Lympne Wild Animal Park,  
near Hythe

VISITORS to Port Lympne can help make life more exciting for the animals this month.

In advance of its new enrichment workshop opening later this year, the park is offering taster sessions on selected weekends in September.

Environmental enrichment is vital in keeping captive animals in their right social groupings, giving them enough stimulation in their enclosures and encouraging them to display their natural behaviour.

Visitors will have the chance to make ice lollies for elephants, treat boxes for tigers or puzzle feeders for primates during the one-



Picture: TRACY SMITH

hour sessions. Later in the day they will see their creations going into the enclosures and see firsthand the benefits of enrichment.

Taster workshops will also be held on Saturday, September 13, Saturday, September 20, and Sunday,

September 21. They will be organised in the education centre near the entrance to the park and workshops cost £4 for adults and £2 for children, in addition to normal park entry fees. For more details, take a look at [www.totallywild.net](http://www.totallywild.net).

## THE GROANBOX BOYS

Friday, September 12  
Tower Theatre, Shorncliffe

AMERICAN roots trio The Groanbox Boys are bringing their foot-stompin' sound to Shepway.

The band play their roots music on an array of instru-

ments including accordion, acoustic guitar, banjo, harmonica and a variety of percussion pieces, including a calabash, yew tree log and their self-made Freedom Boot. This arresting instrument features a large dowel, 420 bottle caps, a black boot at the bottom and a collection of souvenirs on the top,

from Guatemalan worry dolls to Bolivian goat toenails.

Their mission is to continue the great folk music traditions of the USA, but playing it in their own way and adding their own idiosyncrasies.

The trio includes Franco-American musician Cory Seznec, whose love for pre-war folk music was ignited when he discovered his parents' old blues record collection as a teenager. Michael Ward-Bergeman is a sensitive and passionate performer whose compositions have featured on numerous recordings, television shows and film soundtracks.

Recent addition Paul Clifford is a skilled Canadian drummer and multi-instrumentalist who is now based in Kent.

The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £10/£9. To book, phone 01303 223925.



Picture: ROBERT LIPPROTT

## BATTLESKA GALACTICA

Saturday, September 6  
Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone

THESE giants of the local ska scene will be bidding fans farewell this weekend.

One of the most popular Folkestone bands of the decade, Battleska Galactica has been filling dancefloors with their energetic skacore act for seven years.

They released two albums – Will Skank For Cash, recorded at The Forum in Tunbridge Wells in 2002, and Songs From The Crypt, released in 2005.

The That Really Is All concert will double as a release party for the band's last CD, a six-track called If Found Please Return To... Find out more about the band and their music online at [www.battleskagalactica.com](http://www.battleskagalactica.com).

Support will be offered by 'deranged' experimental punk band Los Salvadores, fresh from summer festival success.



The Maidstone-based six-piece signed to Corndog Records last year and their debut album Attack of the Clones has sold nearly 1,000 copies through high street shops. See [www.lossalvadores.co.uk](http://www.lossalvadores.co.uk) and [www.myspace.com/lossalvadores](http://www.myspace.com/lossalvadores).

Ska punk band Tar is also on the bill, along with Brighton 'maniacs' Twice The Size.

The gig starts at 7pm and tickets cost £7 in advance or £8 on the door. To book, phone the box office on 01303 228600.

## SHEPWAY LEISURE

### Bandstand offers free jazz for us all to enjoy

MORE free live music is on offer at the Folkestone Bandstand this weekend.

On Saturday, Faversham Mission Brass will be providing the entertainment at the bandstand on The Leas. The following day jazz musician Ian Shawcross will be performing.

Both sessions will run from 2.30pm to 4.30pm and are free.

### Thomas and his friends are steaming into town

MEET Thomas the Tank Engine and his friends at the Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway.

The little blue engine will be joined by his friends Gordon, Henry, the Fat Controller and Toby the Tram at the railway this weekend. Visitors will also be able to enjoy all the usual attractions on Saturday and Sunday, including the Toy and Model Museum at New Romney.

Special prices apply. For details, phone 01797 362353 or see [www.rhdr.org.uk](http://www.rhdr.org.uk).

### Get your fix of great music with supergroup

MEMBERS of two successful local groups came together last year to form new indie 'supergroup' The Fix.

Formed from the remnants of The Mighty Hush and The Almighty Lenny, The Fix recorded their first album last December and are now working on their second. Find out more at [www.thefix.moonfruit.com](http://www.thefix.moonfruit.com).

See them perform live at The Firs Club in Firs Lane, Cheriton, on Friday. For more details, phone the club on 01303 278667, or visit [www.firsclub.co.uk](http://www.firsclub.co.uk).

### Zero Tolerance aim to rock you during pub gig

INDIE and rock music fans can hear classic hits played live at The Morehall in Cheriton Road, Morehall, this week.

On Friday the pub plays host to Zero Tolerance, a four-piece that performs a variety of tunes from all eras. More information about the Folkestone-based band can be found on their website [www.zerotolerancelive.co.uk](http://www.zerotolerancelive.co.uk).

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The former British Champion, who now lives in Dartford, had a tough upbringing in London's East End and found fame late in life as the head judge on the successful BBC show. His book, *Better Late Than Never*, is published by Ebury tomorrow and is priced at £18.99.

Fans can meet him at Waterstone's from 6pm on Wednesday, September 10. Call the store on 01322 624831.

### Cruise away on holiday when you visit show

THOSE who dream of life on the ocean wave can find out what's on offer at The Get Cruising Show in Tunbridge Wells.

The event is being held at the Corn Exchange in The Pantiles on Sunday, from 11am to 3pm. It will feature 25 different cruise brands, who will be offering some exclusive deals and the chance to see live presentations. Find out more about the world's major liners, boutique, upmarket and river cruises.

See [www.thepantilesonline.co.uk](http://www.thepantilesonline.co.uk).

### Meet the author of a murderously good read

LOCAL mystery writer Lesley Goodman will be making an appearance at Westwood Cross this weekend.

The Whitstable-based author will be signing copies of her new novel at Waterstone's at 11.30am on Saturday. *Murder By The Sea* follows the latest adventures of heroine Libby Sarjeant, a middle-aged actress turned investigator who lives in a fictional Kent village.

*Murder By The Sea*, which is the fourth book in the series, is published by Accent Press and is priced at £6.99.

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HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (12A)



The sequel to Guillermo del Toro's 2004 fantasy is every bit as fast and furious as its predecessor, melding dazzling production design with wry humour and explosive action sequences. Here del Toro is given free rein to let his imagination run amok, concocting a dark and bloody fairytale full of trolls, goblins and a 9ft Angel Of Death. Hellboy II: The Golden Army is a triumph of design.

# Stepping up for laughs

BY KATE WHITING

WHEN it comes to showing the funny side of serious situations, you can always rely on Hollywood's Frat Pack – the band of comic brothers led by the likes of Ben Stiller and Will Ferrell.

From Ben's pathetic stalker in *There's Something About Mary*, to Steve Carrell's 40-Year-Old Virgin and last year's *Knocked Up* – a tale of accidental pregnancy written, directed and produced by new golden boy Judd Apatow – the pack, who love to pop up in each others' films, have poked fun at most things.

Now the 'plight' of grown-up children still living at home has been given the comedy treatment in *Step Brothers* and John C Reilly's collaboration, *Step Brothers*.

Empty-nesters are becoming a thing of the past in the UK as more and more children choose to stay with their parents rent-free – as many as one in ten, according to research by Mintel.

In *Step Brothers*, produced by – wait for it – Judd Apatow, the two central characters, 40-somethings Dale (John) and Brennan (Will), not only stay at home but neither of them work and they have managed to remain in a perpetual state of adolescence.

"They never outgrow their adolescent ideas about what's cool, how they'd spend their time when they grew up, what they found entertaining," says Will, 41.

"It was a lot of fun to explore that, thinking 'What if you actually became at 40 the guy you thought you'd be when you were 13?'"

Cue juvenile T-shirts, prized drum sets, Chewbacca masks and



**BROTHERS IN ARMS:** Will Ferrell and John C Reilly finally face the idea of growing up

endless TV dinners for Dale and Brennan as John and Will clearly revel in their roles.

"Dale is an extreme case of arrested development," says John, 43, with a smile. "His dad's a doctor, so he's never really had to work for anything. He's just into the things that he likes and noth-

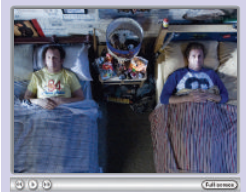
ing else interests him at all. He likes drums, sling-shots, karate and fireworks.

"He's a guy who already feels he's got the greatest life ever and he doesn't have to really work."

The film follows two single parents – Brennan's mum Nancy (Mary Steenburgen) and Dale's

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doctor dad Robert (Richard Jenkins) – who meet, fall in love, marry and then make the life-altering decision to live together.

Sparks fly when the two grown men are forced to share Dale's room and then Brennan makes the huge mistake of touching Dale's drum kit, which results in a hilarious childish fight, with them rolling around in the garden.

When the pressure of looking after two layabouts drives their parents apart, the boys finally resolve to get off the sofa and try to set up their own entertainment company, but will they be able to reunite Nancy and Robert?

*Step Brothers* came about two years ago after Will and John worked together with writer-director Adam McKay on motor-racing flick *Talladega Nights: The Battle Of Ricky Bobby*. It was such good fun that as soon as filming wrapped they started thinking about their next project.

"We sat down, had dinner and threw around all these ideas," Will remembers.

Once the trio had come up with the characters, old friends Will and Adam sat down to write the screenplay together.



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## YOUR TV REVIEW

**STRICTLY COME DANCING**  
BBC One, Saturday (from Sept 30)  
**THE X FACTOR**  
ITV1, 7pm Saturday

■ BY TOM BETTS

THE term 'monumentally bad' wouldn't even go half-way to cover this year's Big Brother, so let's be glad that it's finally over.

The desperadoes have been released and some respite is upon us, but, before we know it, I'm a Celebrity... will be back and we'll all want to top ourselves again.

Before all that starts, though, for a moment let us enjoy the battle of Saturday nights.

It's the clash of the titans, an irresistible force meeting the immovable object.

Two prime-time shows are heading for a dust-up and will be slapping each other around the entertainment face in the weeks to come.

In the BBC corner is Strictly Come Dancing and its cast of celebrity contestants, while, in the ITV corner is The X Factor, with its celebrity judges, auditioning weirdos and the very pointless Dannii Minogue.

Not so long ago, there would be only one logical choice: The X Factor's audition stages were a joy to watch as humiliation was piled high upon many poor souls deluded enough to think they had what it takes to bag a nailed-on Christmas number one.

However, it is now the dancing rival that holds more appeal for many.

In part it is because the X Factor's joke has worn very thin, whereas dancing also requires skill and hard work, rather than just turning up and belting out a Robbie Williams cover.



**POPULAR:** Strictly Come Dancing is beating The X Factor, where the joke has worn thin

In SCD, the Beeb has a big winner on its hands and has flogged the format to the rest of the world in the same way Simon Cowell did with his creation.

Not bad for an idea that seemed to smack of desperation when it was first launched in 2004.

I must admit I thought this was the worst idea I'd ever heard when the show tangoed on to our screens, but I was wrong – it's genuinely entertaining stuff.

Ratings are huge and Bruce Forsyth is in his element, finding a deserved second wind to his career.

This year should be a good series. A certain comedy value is sure to come from former news man John Sergeant, while, for the fellas, Rachel Stevens, Lisa Snowdon and The One Show's current beau, Christine Blakely, will all be giving us a twirl, which Brucie will surely approve of.

Strictly Come Dancing, in the words of the great man himself on a Saturday night: "You're my favourite!"

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19)  
AN interest in a foreign culture could prompt you to take a trip overseas. Your love life will get a boost as a result. If you're already in a relationship, your bond will grow closer. Being away from the trappings of home will allow you to focus on your partner's needs like never before.  
• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762

**TAURUS** (Apr 21-May 21)  
WORK becomes much more pleasant, thanks to a thoughtful female colleague. This woman knows just what to do and say to resolve conflicts. You may be inspired to decorate your office. Being surrounded by lush, green plants helps you to think outside of the box.  
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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23)  
VISITING a friend or relative could prove a welcome change of pace. A change of scenery will give you a fresh perspective. You're starting to see you have more choices than you thought. This liberating realisation will cause you to make a startling choice.  
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**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)  
SPENDING more time on private pursuits is essential. You're emerging from a social period that has left you drained. Take a few moments to go on solitary walks, enjoy a quiet cup of tea, or read for pleasure. Stop telling yourself such behaviour is selfish.  
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**PISCES** (Feb 20-Mar 20)  
YOUR sex appeal reaches its peak for the year; take advantage of it. Luring a love interest into your web will be an enjoyable task. If you're in a relationship, you could be granted favours. Signing a contract or entering a partnership will help you get the acclaim you desire.  
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**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22)  
AT last, you're able to abandon yourself to fun. Be sure to schedule a vacation in the next few weeks. If you're single, you could meet someone special on this trip. Keep your eyes open for a witty sophisticate with impeccable fashion. Take charge of a troubling household concern.  
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**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23)  
BUSINESS ventures related to art, music, and entertainment are favoured. You have a knack for delivering what the public wants. Go ahead and charge a higher price than you intended. You'd be surprised at how much people would pay for a little enjoyment.  
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**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov 23-Dec 21)  
FRIENDS are an invaluable source of support. They'll help you make sense of a stressful work situation that has you flummoxed. Being able to laugh at yourself in the midst of a crisis will be your saving grace. Be ready to let go of your dignity for the sake of the team.  
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**ARIES** (Mar 21-Apr 20)  
LOVE could be your primary focus. Don't be afraid to let a loved one put your needs ahead of theirs. In the past, you were willing to shield this person from ugly realities. Now it's your turn to experience the same sort of kindness. Accept this gift with an open and grateful heart.  
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**CANCER** (Jun 23-Jul 23)  
A TROUBLED family relationship could undergo healing. A female relative who was once critical of your lifestyle is starting to come to terms with it. You're not sure how long her compassion will last, but it's a relief. Helping a neighbour will set off a pleasant chain of events.  
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**LIBRA** (Sep 24-Oct 23)  
TAKE the initiative in a romantic relationship. Generally, you like to be the one who is pursued. Learning to assert yourself will bring rewards. Stop telling yourself you do not deserve love and happiness. A thoughtful relative could remind you of your tremendous gifts.  
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YOU'RE making a name for yourself in the public sphere. All of the sudden, everyone wants your advice and help. This is a wonderful time to make inroads to your desired industry. If you already love your job, you could take this opportunity to start a side business.  
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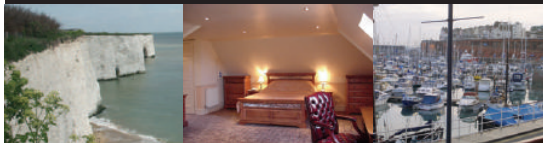
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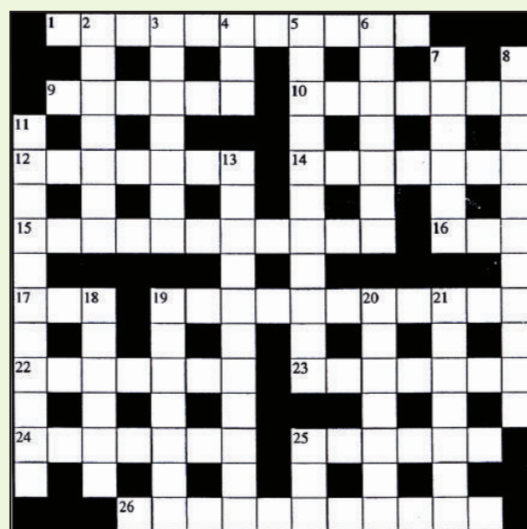
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- 22 Agreement coming from orchestra (7)
- 23 Disclaim responsibility was void surprisingly (7)
- 24 Falls again back with Rear Admiral (7)
- 25 Before end of day at monastery (6)
- 26 A new racing round garden vessel (8-3)

#### DOWN

- 2 It's to do with an order modifying dialect (7)
- 3 Trade that's constantly on the increase (7)
- 4 See Fenland community (3)
- 5 Evaded in a crabby way? (11)
- 6 Welshman from Tangier (7)
- 7 Some of those quelling development (6)
- 8 Stayed at lower level but did not continue to be blue (7,4)
- 11 Completely ignorant to be aware of the absence of anything! (4-7)
- 13 Newly sealed variety of cheese (11)
- 18 Jack's double had sauce (6)
- 19 Miniature scene from play ten included (7)
- 20 Spirited flying (7)
- 21 Reportedly in a Greek guesthouse (7)
- 25 Greek character's graphic piece (3)

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### QUICK CLUES

#### ACROSS

- 1 Easily visible (11)
- 9 Thickset (6)
- 10 Former capital of Uganda (7)
- 12 Practicality (7)
- 14 Pertain (anag.) (7)
- 15 In all seriousness (6,5)
- 16 Study (3)
- 17 Immediately (3)
- 19 Wasting (11)
- 22 Larger than normal (7)
- 23 Obedient (7)
- 24 Outlive (7)
- 25 \_\_\_ de corps (6)
- 26 Written declaration (11)

#### DOWN

- 2 Remote parts of Australia (7)
- 3 A drawing in (7)
- 4 Glacial (3)
- 5 Not made clear (11)
- 6 Uncoil (7)
- 7 Calmed down (6)
- 8 Large seabird (7-4)
- 11 Destructive computer program (6,5)
- 13 Size (11)
- 18 Wet (6)
- 19 Self-killing (7)
- 20 In an abnormal position (7)
- 21 Impose pain (7)
- 25 Sprite (3)

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

### SUDOKU SOLUTIONS No50

#### EASY

6	4	5	7	3	9	1	8	2
7	1	9	5	2	8	4	3	6
8	2	3	1	6	4	5	9	7
9	7	1	4	5	6	8	2	3
4	8	2	9	7	3	6	1	5
5	3	6	2	8	1	7	4	9
2	9	8	6	4	7	3	5	1
1	6	4	3	9	5	2	7	8
3	5	7	8	1	2	9	6	4

#### MEDIUM

5	7	8	3	9	4	1	2	6
3	9	4	6	2	1	7	5	8
1	2	6	7	5	8	9	4	3
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6	5	1	8	3	7	2	9	4
8	1	2	4	6	3	5	7	9
7	6	5	2	8	9	4	3	1
4	3	9	1	7	5	6	8	2

#### HARD

4	5	9	6	8	2	7	1	3
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6	7	8	1	3	4	5	9	2
3	9	5	8	4	1	2	7	6
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8	6	2	3	7	9	1	4	5
9	2	4	7	6	3	8	5	1
5	3	6	4	1	8	9	2	7
7	8	1	2	9	5	6	3	4

### CRYPTIC SOLUTION No51

**ACROSS:** 1 Pickpocket 6 Scab 9 Probe 10 Numb 11 Esne 13 Last but not least 14 Rightful 16 Eczena 18 Hobart 19 Molasses 22 Lead a merry dance 24 Ante 25 Ward 26 Lethe 27 Lark 28 Quarter-day **DOWN:** 1 Popular 2 Cross 3 Presbyterian 4 Construe 5 Exmoor 7 Castanets 8 Beeftea 12 Black-and-blue 15 Gibraltar 17 Joyrider 18 Holdall 20 Scenery 21 Deja-vu 23 Noted.

### QUICK SOLUTION No52

**ACROSS:** 1 Conspicuous 9 Sticky 10 Heron 11 Herring 12 Herring 13 Herring 14 Herring 15 Herring 16 Herring 17 Herring 18 Herring 19 Herring 20 Herring 21 Herring 22 Herring 23 Herring 24 Herring 25 Herring 26 Herring 27 Herring 28 Herring 29 Herring 30 Herring 31 Herring 32 Herring 33 Herring 34 Herring 35 Herring 36 Herring 37 Herring 38 Herring 39 Herring 40 Herring 41 Herring 42 Herring 43 Herring 44 Herring 45 Herring 46 Herring 47 Herring 48 Herring 49 Herring 50 Herring 51 Herring 52 Herring 53 Herring 54 Herring 55 Herring 56 Herring 57 Herring 58 Herring 59 Herring 60 Herring 61 Herring 62 Herring 63 Herring 64 Herring 65 Herring 66 Herring 67 Herring 68 Herring 69 Herring 70 Herring 71 Herring 72 Herring 73 Herring 74 Herring 75 Herring 76 Herring 77 Herring 78 Herring 79 Herring 80 Herring 81 Herring 82 Herring 83 Herring 84 Herring 85 Herring 86 Herring 87 Herring 88 Herring 89 Herring 90 Herring 91 Herring 92 Herring 93 Herring 94 Herring 95 Herring 96 Herring 97 Herring 98 Herring 99 Herring 100 Herring

Answers to all of this week's quizzes can be found on our website

## yourgetaways



## When only the best is good enough

BY KATE WHITING

IN Ocracoke harbour, the pelicans perch on wooden mooring posts in the setting sun, as though to welcome the fishing boats back after a long day out at sea.

And they couldn't have found a better – or more secluded – place to rest.

Ocracoke, one of the narrow sandbar islands that runs down the coast of North Carolina, was for years one of America's best-kept secrets. In 2007, however, it was thrown into the global spotlight when its virgin beach beat more than 650 sandy havens to be named the best in the United States.

It was the first time a beach outside of the more popular sunspots Hawaii and Florida had been chosen, and sitting on the warm white sand I could easily see why.

Ocracoke island boasts 15 miles of uninterrupted, undeveloped, pristine beach, with gently sloping sand-dunes and spectacular views stretching out over the Atlantic. There are none of the oversized chain hotels, beach bars, or banana boats of built-up resorts. Ocracoke defines understatement and simplicity.

US beach expert Stephen Leatherman (fondly known as Dr Beach) selected Ocracoke Lifeguarded Beach on the basis of 50 criteria, ranging from sand quality and colour, to wave size and even traffic.

There certainly aren't many cars in Ocracoke, mainly because the island has only



**WATER BABY:** Ocracoke is a beautiful island, boasting a 15-mile long beach, 26 miles off the coast of North Carolina

700 residents and because its location, 26 miles from the mainland, means many visitors fly into this unspoilt paradise instead of struggling with the three-hour car ferry. But the journey is well worth it for those seeking a real American treasure.

Besides its beach, the island, and the surrounding Outer Banks boast some of the most extraordinary history, set in a carefully preserved landscape.

One exciting way to explore is by kayak. Ride The Wind surf shop, in the centre of Ocracoke's snug historic town, offers guided eco tours. The kayak tour, led by friendly Ocracoke Bob Chestnut, took us away from the ocean and up some of the island's natural

inlets too, where we found oysters, hermit crabs, turtles and even a sea snake darting among the reedbeds.

To give ourselves some geographical perspective, we headed to the historic town of Beaufort on the mainland, which lies at the heart of North Carolina's Crystal Coast.

From Beaufort, it's easy to take day trips to other sandbar islands, which make up the Outer Banks, and one of the most spectacular is Cape Lookout. Its lighthouse, with its large black and white diamond pattern, is an icon.

And as the sun glinted off the Atlantic at the end of another beautiful day on the Outer Banks, it was easy to see why North Carolina is so justifiably proud of its unique coastline.

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Time difference	UK minus 5 hours
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Population	8,856,505
Language	English
Climate	Maritime temperate
Religion	Christian
Currency	£1 approx 1.8 US dollars

## Travel details

- Kate Whiting flew from Heathrow to Raleigh Durham as a guest of American Airlines. Package from £575 including seven nights' car hire with complimentary sat-navis bookable through Bon Voyage: 0800 3163012/www.bon-voyage.co.uk.
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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Swap the headache of selling for a new home

PART exchange can be a useful way to move and escape the hassle of selling.

Houses are selling but buyers must be sensible with the price. But new builders, who are under huge pressure to sell, have some spectacular deals on offer for existing owners.

Redrow is one of several builders who will buy a customer's current house (subject to criteria) and effectively 'swap' it for a new home; meaning a guaranteed, quick and easy sale, minus the worry of being stuck in a housing chain that's going nowhere or might even collapse.

Beryl Williams, of Redrow Homes, says: "According to the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), the number of housing transactions hit an all-time low in June, but why worry about selling your existing home when Redrow can do it for you?"

"Some people are reluctant to put their existing property on the market in the first place because they think they won't find a buyer."

Part exchange also removes the threat of being 'gazundered' – a trend that hasn't really surfaced since the 90s but is now increasing – where a buyer substantially lowers their offer just days before the exchange and the seller must either accept the lower figure, or reject it and start the entire process all over again.

### Students are a good bet for making profit

KENT'S university centres are a better investment bet for buy-to-let landlords, according to a new poll.

As the property market has slowed, rental properties have become even more important, with student accommodation remaining a strong performer.

Rental yields from student accommodation in university towns and cities should continue to outstrip those achieved from buy-to-let properties without, according to industry research by headlineproperty.co.uk website.

They carried out the survey after estimates emerged which suggested that landlords offering student accommodation in university towns often benefit from annual rental yields which are one or two percentage points (sometimes more) higher.

The main reason for this is the fact that, as the numbers of those making the move into higher education continues to rise, so demand for student accommodation itself could only go one way in the years ahead.

# Why not just stay put?

## Moving may not be your best option

MAKING the most of your existing home is an increasingly popular option as the housing market slows to a crawl.

Extending or remodelling your home can give you the extra space and will increase its value when the market picks up again.

But before you start, the organisers of The London Homebuilding & Renovating Show, at ExCeL London from September 19 to 21, have come up with some great pointers that may save you time... and money.

### Permitted development

If your home has never been extended you could add 15 per cent to the volume of the house without needing permission. Visit [www.planningportal.gov.uk](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk) and take advantage of their online volume calculator.

### Know the building regulations

Even if you don't need planning permission, you may need building regulations approval. If you are converting your loft, moving a bath or toilet, installing a green heating system, a flue or altering window openings, you will need to apply for approval.

### Think through your loft conversion

To comply with building regulations to get an extra bedroom, the floor may need strengthening and the roof will need at least 150mm of insulation, which will lower the ceiling. Don't forget that accessing a habitable loft conversion requires a permanent staircase and this will need landing space.

### Beware of removing trees

It is a criminal offence to cut down a tree which is protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO). Even if an extension doesn't require planning permission, you cannot alter or even prune a tree that has a TPO on it without permission.

### The right to light

When you apply for planning permission remember your neighbours might object if you cut sunlight to their home. This is more relevant to town centre homes.

### Conservation areas have different rules

If your home is in a conservation area, or is a listed building, things are not so simple. Take the time to speak with your local council's planning department before you start anything. It's a criminal offence to alter a listed building.



**IMPROVE:** An extension and a lick of paint could have you feeling like you're in a new home without having to move

### Know the Party Wall Act

Any work you intend to carry out that is within three metres of your boundary wall will mean legally you must contact your neighbour. If you are digging a foundation, then anything under six metres from the wall means they must be consulted.

### Do your homework

Do your research before you start to avoid any horrible surprises. Contact your local planning office or visit the government web-

site [www.planningportal.gov.uk/buildingwork](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/buildingwork).

The London Homebuilding & Renovating Show has local authority planning experts on the Planning Portal stand (1037), as well as architects in the Ask the Architects Zone.

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**AYLESHAM**



**£120,000**

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**£124,950**

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**£150,000**

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**£159,950**

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**LYDDEN**



**£167,995**

Three bedroom semi detached house, three reception rooms, gas central heating. Village location, countryside views.

**EYTHORNE**



**£219,995**

Three bedroom detached bungalow in rural location with extensive gardens, double glazing, gas central heating, garage.

**DOVER**



**£249,995**

Substantial four bedroom terrace home with three reception rooms in Castle Ward district. Viewing highly recommended.

**LYDDEN**



**£325,000**

Five bedroom detached bungalow with established gardens and off road parking in rural location with countryside views. Viewing highly recommended.

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**£450,000**

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**£89,950**

First floor flat which has been redecorated and refurbished internally, comprising: lounge, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom/WC. Gas central heating. No chain.

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**£110,000**

This split level second floor flat comprises: lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC. Part double glazing, night storage heating and two garages to rear.

**FOLKESTONE**



**O.I.E.O. £150,000**

Viewing is highly recommended on this well presented mid terrace house comprising: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, shower room/WC, separate WC and three bedrooms.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£159,950**

Two bedroom second floor apartment with views to the Downs. Lounge, fitted kitchen/breakfast room, family bathroom/WC and en-suite shower room/WC. No chain.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£169,995**

This end of terrace house situated in a cul-de-sac comprises: lounge/diner, kitchen/breakfast room, five bedrooms and bathroom/WC. Gas central heating, double glazing and a courtyard garden.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£209,995**

Semi-detached house comprising: lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, cloakroom, three bedrooms and bathroom/WC. 78' rear garden and off road parking.

**CHERTON**



**£210,000**

End of terrace house comprising: lounge/diner, two bedrooms, separate WC and fitted kitchen/utility area with three further bedrooms and bathroom/WC to the first floor.

**SANDGATE**



**£225,000**

Purpose built apartment with south facing balcony overlooking the beach. Comprising: lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC. No chain.

**FOLKESTONE**



**£230,000**

Semi-detached house comprising: lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, utility, cloakroom, 3 beds and shower room/WC. Landscaped gardens. Garage. Block paved drive. Gas central heating. Double glazing.

**CHERTON**



**£244,950**

Detached bungalow with rear view across the valley to the sea. Comprising: lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, utility area, two double bedrooms and bathroom/WC.

**CAPEL-LE-FERNE**



**£375,000**

Detached property with annexe and no chain. Eighteen car parking to front and side, west facing rear garden overlooking fields, gas central heating and mostly double glazed.

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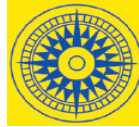
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Deceptively roomy period home with 4 bedrooms. Living room, Dining room, farmhouse kitchen/breakfast room, rear conservatory. Shower room and bathroom. Nicely presented. Delightful gardens with double garage. 2 mins walk to the beach.



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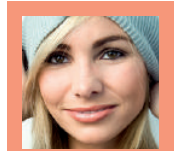


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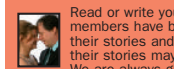
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Pettie, dark-haired, blue-eyed female, 30, fun and friendly, bright and bubbly. Bored of being single, looking for a lovely man to take me out! Box 895349

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Relaxed redhead, 32yr old, 5'4, enjoys theatre, meals and cosy nights in, with a male, 30-42, for a happy relationship. Box 442617

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**FUN-LOVING FEMALE**  
Attractive, 31, 5'4", size 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, wild intelligent, professional, attractive guy, for a happy relationship. Tunbridge Wells. Box 308734

**MISS JULIE**  
Curvy brunette, 33, 5'4, single mum, wlm special man, divorced or separated, to share the nice things in life with. Box 443295

**YOU WON'T REGRET IT**  
Curvy brunette, 5'8, hazel eyes, single mum, looking for that special passionate and caring man to share good times with. Box 443255

**ALONG THE SHORE**  
Brunette female, 38yrs old, single mum, enjoys socialising, DIY, romantic moments and family activities, WLTm a male with similar interests for friendship. Box 442393

**HISTORIC MEETING?**  
Mum of three, 38, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male 36-49, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 440693

**ROMANCE IS ALIVE**  
Divorced, lively mum, 35, GSOH, I enjoy time with my family and friends, cinema, good food, beach walks, seeks male for honest, love and romance. Box 813930

**SING WHEN YOU'RE WINNING**  
Hiya, I'm 36, WLTm any solvent men for a serious relationship. I like going out and having a good laugh, pubs, karaoke... Box 888159

**HERE WE GO**  
Black haired brown haired female, 37, recently separated, seeking genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053

**MEND A BROKEN HEART**  
Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053

**PRINCESS FIONA**  
Fun-loving single mum, 37, 5'8, loves going out, staying in and having fun, WLTm a male to be my knight in shining armour. Box 443290

**SEIZE THE DAY**  
Loving female, 36, 5'4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428686

**BLONDE AMBITION**  
Bubbly, cuddly, blonde single mum, 38, 5'6", likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614

**A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE**  
Lovely, glossy brunette, 39yr old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys theatre, music and eating out, with a professional, loving and tactile male for relationship. Box 442551

**THIS STATE OF INDEPENDENCE**  
Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 441156

**MISS JULIE**  
Bubbly blonde, 44, stupid and like having a laugh, good company, friendship, would like to meet new friends for hopeful love... Box 888162

**COULD IT BE YOU?**  
Hi I'm 44, slim, 5'8, a redhead, love nights out, socialising, looking for friendship initially and hopefully more later on. Box 889800

**DEAL OR NO DEAL? (IN DEAL)**  
Dead-based lady, 43, divorced, brunette, green eyes, 5'10, likes going out, pubs, clubs, cinema, shopping, walks, loves films and all sports except cricket. Box 4430384

**YOUNG-AT-HEART**  
Attractive 38yr old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, curvy, physique, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks loving, fun male, for friendship. Box 901893

**WE ARE FAMILY**  
Attractive brunette, kind, caring, genuine, 39, 5'10, WLTm very good-looking, fit gentleman, loyal, caring, honest, to enjoy walks, music, dancing, cooking, family life and more with. Box 374656

**JUST CALL MY NAME**  
39yr old female, enjoys going out, trying new things, seeking similar male for friendship. Box 443823

**ON MANDY**  
Mandy, 36, lovely brunette, petite & slim, very tactile & bubbly, professional mum, wlm honest, romantic N/S man. Box 432639

**ANIMAL LOVER?**  
Nurse, 37yrs, 2 kids, 5'8, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes the gym, cooking, swimming, salsa dancing, looking for a kind, caring, loyal male Box 431557

**TOO MUCH TO ASK?**  
Genuine female, 41, 5'3", brunette, brown eyes, medium build, enjoys meals out, music etc, seeks male 38-42, for romance. Box 155275

**HERE HORSE!**  
Outgoing girl, 42, dark hair, brown eyes, likes swimming, walking, cycling, riding horses, outdoor sports, seeking similar male for love. Box 443591

**SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE**  
Kind, caring, spiritual lady, 39, 5'4", average build, hazel puppy-dog eyes, brown hair, looking for genuine, caring, non-smoker, friendship first. Box 899694

**ATTRACTION & SATISFACTION**  
Hard-working independent female, 41, dark brown hair, brown eyes, GSOH, enjoys cinema, eating out, seeking similar male with no issues for friendship first, then hopefully more. Box 442205

**CAN YOU BE MY KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOUR?**  
Young looking 40yr old, 5'17, green eyes, loves cinema, theatre, meals, cosy nights in, music, DVDs, seeking honest, loyal, good-looking male 35-45 with similar interests. Box 442999

**HAPPY GO LUCKY**  
Sincere, happy woman, with GSOH. I'm 5'6, with short brown hair, brown eyes, I have lots of interests and WLTm similar guy. Box 895019

**ON A PLATE**  
Caring, honest 46yr old female, 5'2", eyes of blue, redhead, Likes cinema, theatre, walking, WLTm male for fun and friendship. Box 895928

**TOGETHER, FOREVER?**  
Caring person with GSOH, 48, would like to share my life with someone nice, who enjoys romantic walks, meals and wants to find love. Box 889783

**HOPE AND LOVE FOREVER**  
Professional female, 49, brunette, loves the outdoors, good food, good wine, seeking similar as myself for loving relationship. Box 443198

**ALL THAT I NEED**  
Young-looking, slim, attractive female, 48, fun-loving & outgoing, N/S, GSOH, love music, holidays, going out & staying in, seeks similar man, 42-50, Aylesford. Box 428593

**HOPE YOU FIT THE BILL...**  
Non-smoking Mum with GSOH, 50, 5'13, blue eyes, medium-large build, loves music, gym, going out, travel, seeking down-to-earth, sincere guy. Box 442821

**DIG DEEPER**  
Genuine, friendly female, 49, likes walks, gardening, nights in/out, seeking genuine, friendly male, 45-55. Dover Box 435441

**LAUGHTER, THE BEST MEDICINE**  
Help me write my stand-up comedy routine! I'm 49, I'd just need to make me laugh out loud and understand observational comedy to make the grade. Box 892640

**JUST IMAGINE**  
Pettie, brunette, bubbly, friendly, easygoing single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, more things. WLTm genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 893562

**READ BETWEEN THE LINES**  
Blonde, 49, 5'14, brown eyes, slim, enjoys music, dancing, dining in/out and gardening. GSOH, shy at first. Looking for honest man for friendship, maybe more. Box 904969

**WHITESTABLE WUNDERLAND**  
Hi, I'm Vette, 50, separated, blonde hair/blue eyes, size 12, 5'2", likes cinema, meals and drinks out, reading, walks, looking for male, 40-60, for relationship. Box 420160

**PUTTER IN YOUR HANDS!**  
Sporty female, 50, Hastings-based, 5'1", blonde/blue, enjoys golf, walking, socialising, eating in/out, WLTm fun-loving, kind, sporty male, 48-60, 5'10+", to share life. Box 163637

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Curvy & cuddly, outgoing, friendly, honest female, 53, 5'7, larger build, fair hair, likes socialising, country walks, theatre, cinema, music, swimming, WLTm similar loving male. Box 443642

**ALL THIS AND MORE**  
Attractive female, 45, slim-medium build, 5'15, big brown eyes, brown hair, caring, loving, honest, seeking LTR with an honest, caring male to enjoy life with. Box 439367

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Pettie, sincere woman, 44, wavy blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves beach walks, animals, DIY, swimming, travelling, wlm N/S man to share things with. Box 429682

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Happy-go-lucky lady with nice smile, 62, 5'13, medium build, brown hair/eyes, enjoys dancing, walking, eating in/out, animals, seeking loving man for friendship/long term relationship. Box 443171

**THE GOLDEN YEARS**  
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**WARM ME UP**  
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Responsible stylish male, 40yr old, 6'17, enjoys socialising, music and eating out, looking for a fun-loving female to start a committed relationship with. Box 442641

**PROFESSIONAL**  
Honest, easygoing professional single male, 38, 5'8", medium build, no lies, likes sports, going out, seeks outgoing woman for good times and bad. Box 934662

**THE PERSON INSIDE**  
Muscular male, 42, 5'8", many interests, looking for that special lady 25-50, looks unimportant, to love & take care of. Box 443460

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Very easygoing, laid-back male, 43, 5'15, slim, hard-working, likes honest, socialising, eating out, evenings in, seeking loving, caring, honest, sincere female for love. Box 443719

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Genuine Frank, 61, slim brown hair, green eyes, romantic and sensitive, enjoys soul music, bowling, pubs and care of a female, 33-40 for a LTR. Box 442674

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Tracey, 23, 5'12, green eyes, slim, laid-back, enjoys meals out, pubs and clubs, WLTm a similar female for a relationship. Box 443248

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## MEN'S SPOTLIGHT

**HOW CAN YOU RESIST?**  
Down-to-earth loveable guy, 30, 5'8, stocky, blonde hair/blue eyes, likes the finer things in life, going out, eating in, pubs, WLTm genuine girl for LTR. Box 441947

**SECURITY & WARMTH**  
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**EVERYTHING I DO**  
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## MOTORS NEWS



### Make a Superb saving on your car insurance

SKODA is building a head of steam towards launching the all-new Superb executive model.

The latest boost is impressive insurance ratings against upper medium sector rivals, with the entry diesel 1.9 TDI PD 105bhp engine in 'S' trim rated Group 6E – three positions better than the outgoing Superb.

The entry petrol 1.4 TSI 125bhp engine also better its predecessor – rated Group 7E across all three trim levels.

The new Superb (from £15,490) goes on sale in the UK from 18 September and has already caught the eye with distinctive styling and double-function rear end with a bootlid that also hinges again to deliver hatchback versatility.



### Smart goes after even more sales

SALES of Smart's Fortwo city car have rocketed nearly 100 per cent this year.

No other car brand in the UK market comes close to such explosive growth and the little sister brand to Mercedes-Benz seems keen to kick volumes even higher, with a Limited Two special edition out this week.

Based on the popular 71bhp Smart Fortwo Passion and able to return 70mpg on a run, the Limited Two sells as a coupé or cabrio from £9,575, undercutting the Passion's £10,495 while gaining extra kit.



### 'Thanks girls' says Audi after collecting award

IT'S not clear what Audi's reaction is to the new A3 Convertible (from £22,300) being voted top convertible and Car of The Year by women's car-buying website evcars.com.

Of course the classy little soft top is a favourite with the ladies – especially in white – but did Audi really want the boys alienated quite so much?

After all, some versions of the car can do the 0-62mph dash in 7.4 seconds – more than enough to appeal to the well-heeled boy racer.



**BOXER DIESEL:** The rugged, high-riding Subaru Outback tested here, with its all-round comfort and smooth diesel engine, argues against the case for buying an SUV

# Subaru's new legacy goes flat out for diesel sales

SUBARU would probably like to be seen as the BMW or Audi of the Japanese motor industry, but there is also something of Citroën in the way it adheres to 'pet' features.

There is its penchant for frameless door glass although it is not famous for convertibles – the usual raison d'être for such detail.

The brand is also known for all-wheel drive, but Subaru's most famous selling point must be its passion – like that of Porsche – for horizontally-opposed or 'boxer' petrol engines that deliver the lightness, low centre of gravity and flexibility that powered the brand to rally fame.

However, these excellent yet thirsty powerplants have become an Achilles Heel with the rise of diesels and fuel prices, along with the threat from global warming.

Subaru might have responded by buying a diesel off the shelf, although this would have caused horrendous re-engineering for current models.

Instead, the brand created something never seen before in the car market – a boxer diesel.

## ROAD TEST SUBARU OUTBACK DSL

BY STEVE LOADER

### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

And what a lovely piece of work it is.

In the rugged and high-riding Outback estate (from £23,665) tested here, it argues strongly against buying an SUV when you can have much of the rough ground performance and traction of such cars with all the comfort and convenience of a conventional estate.

But the biggest benefit of all is the lower vibration and greater smoothness that the boxer layout brings to a diesel; it is an exceptionally smooth 148bhp two-litre unit considering the amount of punch low down the rev range and not only outperforms the 2.5-litre petrol alternative but should also average 25-30 per cent better fuel consumption – although this is available only as an auto and the new diesel has yet to gain more than a five-speed manual box.

As expected, the Outback's 4x4 layout offers incredible tenacity though a relatively softly-sprung suspension, which delivers such comfort on and off-road, combined with the higher ride height, allows some heeling on the bends.

The interior is tough and well-organised without the flashiness or flair of rivals and there is an endearing 'retro-ness'.

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## USED CAR ROUND-UP: OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

### ESTATES FOR ALL NEEDS

MPVs have stolen sales from more traditional sectors of the motor market, but do people gain enough extra space to offset less driver satisfaction, higher purchase prices and dull styling? Fact is you can still get much of what a used MPV offers by checking out secondhand estates and, like MPVs, they come in different sizes and classes. Our choice here offers widely different attractions; the Skoda is compact and dependable value, the Vauxhall a hugely capable load lugger, while the BMW is the epitome of an upmarket 'lifestyle estate'.

#### SKODA OCTAVIA



If you have not yet woken to used Skoda bargains, smell the coffee now with one of the best – the stylish estate spin-off from the brand's own wake-up model, the Octavia. Mark 1 and 2s are now on the used market and diesels are the pick, though petrols can be bargains and the scorching vRS will put a smile on the face. The Octavia estate's real ace, though, is space within the modest dimensions of a VW Golf-based platform.

##### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

#### BMW 3-SERIES TOURING



THREE generations ago, this car started the whole 'lifestyle estate' trend. Before that, estates were 'working cars'; after the first Touring was launched, the estate market split into load luggers for tradesmen and reps and trendy compact estates like the Beemer. As with all BMWs, the emphasis is on driver satisfaction and style while load-carrying comes second. Performance petrol engines are smooth and you can find bargains as fuel prices rise, while the refined diesels command ever better values.

##### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
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Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

#### VAUXHALL VECTRA



WHAT will soon become the final Vectra model will also be remembered for the awesome estate. If you need size but your budget is limited then this is the car.

The secret is an extended wheelbase over and above the Vectra hatchback; combined with a huge rear opening and folding rear seats, this becomes the ultimate family estate car and an SRi or similar spec with alloys looks classy too. Diesels are the pick for low down power and economy.

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Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
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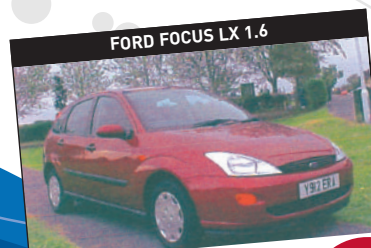
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**A2**, 1.4 Sport 5dr, 03/10/2002, silver, 58488 miles, £6499, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

**A4, 1.9TDI** 130 se estate, 2003, blue m with grey cloth, 67000 miles, £3950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 017935426700 (TRADE)

## BMW

**3 SERIES**, 1.6i Saloon 4d 1596cc, i316hmo, mot 11/04/08 5995.00, DCD Autos, ASHFORD, 01233 642211 (TRADE)

**5 SERIES**, 535d SPORT AUTO E60, yps4uaw, titanium silver, 73000 miles, £20000, Big Motoring World, Wrotham Heath, 01732 220555 (TRADE)

## CADILLAC

**CTS**, cls 3.6 sport luxury v6, 2005, light platinum with black leather, 22379 miles, £12950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 017935426700 (TRADE)

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**LACETTI**, SX 5dr, gk56zj, folding rear seats, aluminium silver, 4000 miles, £5495, Automatically Ray Morris (Welling), Welling, 0203 303 4030 (TRADE)

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**COUPE**, 2.0 Sii 3dr, registered 2007 mileage 11138 miles, transmission manual body style coupe, fuel type petrol exterior silver, there are a variety of warranty options which our sales team will be happy to explain to you, car now reduced to £10795, silver, £10795, Drake and Fletcher Honda, Tunbridge Wells, 0845 130 4298 (TRADE)

**ELANTRA**, 1.6 GSi 5dr Auto, gns1uwa, abs, air conditioning, central locking, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, electric sunroof, foglights, front airrest, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, side airbags, radio/cd, first to see will buy showroom condition, silver, 40788 miles, £1994, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 01795 429802 (TRADE)

**GETZ**, 2005, 3x3 point rear seat belts abs air con alarm alloys body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electric sunroof folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights front head restraints remote central locking side airbags trip computer, seaaside blue, 25062 miles, £5995, WJ King Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

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**GRAND CHEROKEE**, 1997, green, 180000 miles, £2995, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

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**911**, 3.6 Carrera 2 Tiptronic S Coupe 2d 3596cc auto (2002), 07, 19" turbo alloys, sat nav, phone module, rear parktronic, sports chrono pack, sports seats, vts tracking system, rear wiper, premium carpet mats, climate, Bose, cd, fsh, please view our website to see our full stock, basalt black with black leather, only 3,000 miles, £65000, Vikings Canterbury, Canterbury, 01227 711112 (TRADE)

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**LEON**, SPORT 1.6 102PS 5dr, June 2007, g07t0p, one previous keeper, power steering, remote central locking, seat height adjuster, sports seats, split rear seats, alloy wheels, rear parking sensors, adda blue metallic, demo miles miles, £12, 295, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

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**FABIA, CLASSIC** Htp 5dr, fm05cse, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, colour coded interior, height adjustable seat, adjustable steering column, power steering, trip computer, abs, child locks, twin air bags, colour coded body, rear wash/wipe, air conditioning, cd player, blue, 67000 miles, £3990, AR Cars, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

**OCTAVIA**, RS 5dr, 10040578, remote central locking, immobiliser, remote alarm, half leather, rear headrests, rear wash/wipe, rear spoiler, abs, adjustable steering column, electric mirrors, electric windows, climate control, radio, multi-disc cd player, 17" alloys, red, 28075 miles, £8995, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

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**SWIFT, 1.6 VVT SPORT** 3dr, kr08wv, adjustable seats, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, insurance group 9, red, 3658 miles, £10494, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 01795 429802 (TRADE)

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**COROLLA, VIDA VVTi**, 2000, red, 0 miles, £2695, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

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**CORSA, 1.2DSi**, hv07ky, finished in air blue with black interior, silver, 8000 miles, £8995, Calfyns Chevrolet T Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**CORSA, CLUB 1.4**, 158637, finished in air blue with black interior, blue, 8000 miles, £8995, Calfyns Tunbridge Wells Vauxhall, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**MERINA**, - 1.4 16V Life 5dr, 1547649, vauxhall merina 1.4 16v life 5dr £4, 995.00, registration kj54dd car price £4, 995.00, registered 2004 mileage 19244 miles, transmission manual body style estate, fuel type petrol exterior green, number of doors 5 interior grey, previous owners 2 interior trim cloth, £4995, Drake and Fletcher Honda, Tunbridge Wells, 0845 130 4298 (TRADE)

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**VECTRA, 1.6 16V LS AUTO**, 1998, insurance group 7 3 owners service history central locking folding rear seats central locking drivers airbag power steering immobiliser, satin red, 73000 miles, £1889, A 1 Carriages, Croyford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

**ZAFIRA, ENERGY** 1, g07cyz, finished in star silver with black interior, silver, 4000 miles, £11995, Calfyns Chevrolet T Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

**ZAFIRA, 1.6LIFE**, 1165639, finished in pomegranite red with black interior, red, 8000 miles, £8995, Calfyns Chevrolet T Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

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**GOLF, 2.0 S SDI** 3dr [AC], dv07lp, climate control, abs, air bag, twin air bags, side air bags, traction control, air conditioning, electric front windows, cd player, rear wash/wipe, electric mirrors, immobiliser, central locking, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, head restraints, height adjustable seat, retractable headrests, rear headrests, folding rear seats, adjustable steering column, power steering, child locks, automatic electric windows, radio, stereo, black, 17870 miles, £9999, AutoPlanet Maidstone, Maidstone, 0845 871 5185 (TRADE)

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### Unfair VAT bills add extra costs to claim

CLAIMING back unfair VAT bills could become even more of a burden.

Under a proposed rule change, businesses are no longer entitled to claim costs at a tribunal, even if successful, according to leading accountancy firm Horwath Clark Whitehill.

Robert Warne, a partner at the firm, which has offices in Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells, said the change proposed by the Ministry of Justice will have a particularly severe impact on small and medium sized enterprises, which will be unwilling to invest time and money in the tribunal process if they cannot guarantee they will recoup the expense.

They often receive inaccurate assessments for relatively small amounts and in the past have appealed on the basis they would recover costs if successful.

### A billion dollar read

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Cold Steel – Britain's richest man and the multi-billion-dollar battle for a global empire is written by journalist Tim Bouquet and leading international PR consultancy managing director Byron Ouse.

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### For ladies what lunch

AN all-female networking lunch to raise funds for the Heart of Kent Hospice will take place later this month.

Professionally Pink is organised by Kent accountancy firm Horwath Clark Whitehill, in conjunction with Ansacom, Clydesdale Bank and Brachers.

It is aimed at women from regional local businesses and the next one takes place on Wednesday, September 10, at Souffle Restaurant in Beasted, near Maidstone. Guest speaker is Caroline Brinkman, from the Heart of Kent Hospice.

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**HERE TO HELP:** Bob Jones of Business Link urges small to medium-sized companies to come up with a business plan to help them ride the economic storm and continue to develop

# Feeling crunched? A plan could help you through

■ BY TONY PATEY

BUSINESS plans are the most vital blueprints for survival a firm can have – but one in every four companies in Kent doesn't have one, according to recent research.

Almost three-quarters of county firms – 72 per cent – believe a downturn in the UK economy would have a negative impact on their business, as one would expect, but 33 per cent of those don't have a business plan to help them ride out an economic storm.

That's the latest news from Business Link, which provides the information, advice and support businesses need to start, maintain and grow.

It also found that more than two thirds of small and medium sized businesses (SMEs) interviewed for its quarterly South East Business Monitor expect economic conditions in the UK to get worse over the next year.

With the housing market taking a hammering, construction companies understandably believe an economic downturn would have a

negative effect on their business – with a quarter saying it would have a strong negative impact – but the business and financial services sectors are less likely to believe that.

Business Link says only 62 per cent of those businesses – compared with 68 per cent across all industries – reckon their work would be hit hard by a downturn, possibly because they're focused on business-to-business markets and don't rely on the economic health of consumers.

Business Link's Bob Jones said: "Although not all businesses in Kent will be affected equally by the economic downturn, most are worried to some extent, so now is the time for them to take action."

"We work with more than 25,000 businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs across the county and our experience shows that growing companies are much more likely to take time out to plan for all eventualities. Those who plan should be better equipped to weather a storm."

"There are steps that can be taken to make battling a downturn in the economy that bit easier. Having a sound business plan in place is an excellent start and can allow companies to plan for various scenarios."

"You may need to think about improving cashflow, diversifying, exploring new markets, becoming more efficient, or focusing on your business's unique selling point (USP) such as the quality of your customer service."

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Companies can take immediate action by making sure sound credit control systems are in place. The average small firm is owed £30,000 in unpaid invoices, with 29 per cent of businesses surveyed believing they would go bust if they were owed just £20,000.

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## Sibton Park in with a chance of survival

SIBTON Park registered a morale-boosting winning draw against Orpington in their fight to stave off relegation from Division One.

Batting first, Sibton scored 240 for the loss of just two wickets from their 50 overs.

The opposition scored just 191 runs and never looked like overtaking Sibton's total, but the Park bowlers could only claim six wickets in the process.

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# Samarasinghe is main man in big Folkestone win

FOLKESTONE'S 18-run win over Broadstairs at the weekend all but relegated the Thanet club to Division Two next season.

Broadstairs are bottom of Division One and are 11 points behind eighth-placed Whitstable, who have a game in hand.

The game started well for the visitors, who managed to bowl Folkestone out for 141 with two balls to spare. The home side's top three all got starts for Folkestone but some tight bowling from Fakir Dungaria and Scott Narraway ensured they lost wickets at regular intervals. Luke Sage hit 25 and Himanshu Waingankar scored 26 in a disappointing total for the home team.

## CRICKET

BY GLENN PEARSON

Broadstairs would have fancied chasing down the total until the ball was thrown to Luke Samarasinghe, who turned the game on its head. Samarasinghe took six Broadstairs wickets, including that of top scorer Dungaria for 60, to bowl the visitors out for 123.

Apart from Dungaria, only Oliver Robinson and Terry Bond registered double figures for Broadstairs as they failed to chase down a low total. It was Broadstairs' ninth defeat of a disappointing season.



IN THE RUNNING: Folkestone (batting) just beat Broadstairs at the weekend

## Kent League Division One

### Folkestone 1st XI v Broadstairs 1st XI

Folkestone	Runs	Broadstairs	Runs
Luke Sage lbw b Dungaria	25	Paul Ogburn lbw b James	3
L Samarasinghe ct Marshall b S Narraway	21	Terry Bond b Champion	16
Himanshu Waingankar ct Bond b Ellison	26	Oliver Robinson ct James b Samarasinghe	28
Daniel Clark ct Brennan b S Narraway	1	Scott Narraway lbw b Champion	0
Laurence Ward ct Dungaria b Ellison	17	Fakir Dungaria ct Stanley b Samarasinghe	60
A Stanley ct Marshall b L Narraway	14	Neil Brennan ct Clark b Samarasinghe	7
David Miles c & b Marshall	21	Sam Winsor run out	5
Andy Bray b Marshall	5	Liam Narraway c & b Samarasinghe	0
Thomas Cullen run out	1	A Marshall ct Waingankar b Samarasinghe	3
John Champion lbw b L Narraway	2	Stuart Wiseman lbw b Samarasinghe	0
Michael James not out	0	Ashley Ellison not out	0
Extras (1b 1lb 4w 2nb)	8	Extras (1b)	1
Total (all out, 49.4 overs)	141	Total (all out, 43.2 overs)	123

Bowlers	O	M	R	W	Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Liam Narraway	8	0	28	3	Michael James	7	1	14	1
Sam Winsor	6	1	17	0	H Waingankar	10	2	25	0
Fakir Dungaria	15	1	31	1	John Champion	15	2	50	2
Scott Narraway	8	5	11	2	L Samarasinghe	11.2	2	33	6
Ashley Ellison	8	1	31	2					
Andrew Marshall	5	0	21	2					

## LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 1A

#### New Ash Green v Betteshanger Colliery Welfare

AN UNBEATEN half century from Joffy Towe helped Betteshanger Colliery Welfare to a three wicket win at the weekend.

The home side were put into bat and struggled to 164 all out inside 45 overs. They were indebted to Ian Martin's 54 as all of Betteshanger's five bowlers took wickets. Michael McNicholas was the pick of the attack with 3-41.

In reply, Towe's unbeaten 52 helped his side over the line despite some good bowling from the home attack.

McNicholas also did well with the bat, scoring 32 to ensure Betteshanger's tail wagged.

#### New Ash Green

	Runs
Matthew Quattrill	25
Ian Martin	54
Marc Kius	4
Matt Scanlan	1
Ian Davies	0
Andy Mayers	0
Mick Sumner	11
Vic Mayers	28
Lee Saunders	1
David Baker	10
Paul Sumner	17

Extras (7b 2lb 3w 1nb) 13  
Total (all out, 44.3 overs) 164

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Andrew McNicholas	11	1	49	2
Steven King	12	5	28	1
Jamie Towe	7	3	17	2
Michael McNicholas	10	2	41	3
Clive Towe	4.3	1	20	2

#### Betteshanger

	Runs
Clive Towe	10
Liam Collins	0
Jamie Towe	15
Joffy Towe	52
Gareth Friend	9
Andrew McNicholas	16
Michael McNicholas	32
Derek Towe	8
Darren Fletcher	7
Steve McNicholas	0
Steven King	0

Extras (2b 4lb 7w 3nb) 16  
Total (7 wickets, 46.1 overs) 165

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Mick Sumner	12	2	26	0
Andy Mayers	12	4	21	3
Lee Saunders	71	1	30	2
Matt Scanlan	5	0	23	0
Vic Mayers	4	0	34	1
Paul Sumner	6	0	26	1

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 2B

#### Borstal 2nd XI v Deal Victoria & Barns Close 2nd XI

JOHN Cunningham was the star of the show for Deal Victoria as his five wicket haul helped Borstal.

The visitors set a competitive total of 192-7 thanks to Frank Packman's 48 and Ben Martin's 41.

It was then left to Cunningham, who ripped through the Borstal middle order, claiming superb figures of 5-28 from his ten overs.

Stephen Thompson also claimed 1-5 from eight tight and accurate overs as Deal closed out a comfortable win by 84 runs.

#### Deal Victoria

	Runs
Frank Packman	48
Ben Smith	3
Matthew Carley	1
Ben Martin	41
John Cunningham	14
Tim Toon	29
William Marshall Jr	13
Ian Bone	11
Stephen Thompson	0
Charlie Smith	0
Joe Price	0

Extras (11b 5lb 15w 1nb) 32  
Total (7 wickets, 46 overs) 192

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Nick West	12	2	31	1
David Snelling	12	5	34	1
Mark Tandy	7	1	37	0
Charlie Wardzinski	5	0	24	3
Josh Wasseff	6	1	19	2
Phil Knights	4	0	31	0

#### Borstal

	Runs
Nick West	0
Phil Knights	0
Mark Tandy	8
Solrab Peerbaccus	39
David Snelling	0
Lee Round	1
Alex Francis	2
Frani O'Neill	10
Charlie Wardzinski	12
Josh Wasseff	0
Lewis Huitson	0

Extras 0  
Total (8 wickets, 46 overs) 108

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
John Cunningham	10	1	28	5
Stephen Thompson	8	5	5	1
Joe Price	4	0	20	1
Charlie Smith	4	1	7	1
Ian Bone	7	3	11	0
Ben Martin	4	2	2	0
Frank Packman	5	3	2	0
William Marshall Jr	4	0	17	0

### KENT PREMIER LEAGUE DIVISION

#### Sandwich Town 1st XI v St Lawrence & Highland Court 1st XI

SANDWICH Town slumped to a disappointing 67-run defeat to St Lawrence & Highland Court to all but confirm their relegation from the Premier Division.

The visitors scored 253-8 from 55 overs thanks to 61 from Claran Morgan, 45 from Charlie Hemphrey and David Smith's 40. Craig Spanton and Leon Johnson each took three wickets for Sandwich. In reply, Town never got going as Stuart Smith top scored with 35.

Sandwich will have to beat Sevenoaks at the weekend and hope Lordswood slip up of they are to preserve their Premier Division status.

#### St Lawrence & Highland Court

	Runs
Dominic Chambers	21
Daniel Stickle	14
Paul Dixey	26
Charlie Hemphrey	45
Lewis Jenkins	17
David Smith	40
Claran Morgan	61
Alex Day	6
Ben Trott	10
Benjamin Easter	6
Harry Callaway	0

Extras (2b 2lb 3w) 7  
Total (8 wickets, 55 overs) 253

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Craig Spanton	15	1	65	3
Jack Bradley	8	1	38	1
Matthew van Poppel	11	0	62	0
Leon Johnson	15	1	53	3
Robert Goatham	5	0	31	1

#### Sandwich

	Runs
Craig Snell	15
Stuart Smith	35
David Draper	29
Leon Johnson	11
Kevin Beaumont	20
Robert Goatham	13
Steve Wellard	30
David Scarr	0
Craig Spanton	0
Matthew van Poppel	5
Jack Bradley	14

Extras (6b 1lb 7w) 14  
Total (all out, 44.2 overs) 186

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Ben Trott	10.2	1	45	3
Alex Day	10	3	39	2
Benjamin Easter	11	0	41	2
Charlie Hemphrey	12	1	47	3
Claran Morgan	1	0	7	0

### KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 1A

#### Deal Victoria & Barns 1st XI v Nonington 1st XI

DEAL's batsmen put in a tremendous display to help them chase down what seemed an unlikely target against Nonington at the weekend.

After Jamie Sadler scored an excellent 135 as the visitors racked up 294-5, the Deal team must have thought they had lost the game. Instead they attacked from the start, with three of their batters registering half centuries. Austen Marsh started it off with 88 at the top of the innings and it was left to Robbie Braman and Andrew Miller to score unbeaten 50s to see their team home with just three balls to spare.

#### Nonington

	Runs
John Stone	23
Jamie Sadler	135
James Burrett	72
Kieron Burrett	1
Russell Stewart	41
Josh Tutton	7
James Anderson	1
Matt Sadler	0
David Luckhurst	0
Thomas Tutton	0
Chris Coudlen	0

Extras (8b 5lb 1w) 14  
Total (5 wickets, 46 overs) 294

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Alex Hinkins	11	2	63	1
Scott McNamara	10	1	50	1
Graham McNamara	12	0	74	2
Thomas Killip	4	0	24	0
Robbie Braman	3	0	22	0
Stephen Moran	6	0	48	1

#### Deal Victoria & Barns Close

	Runs
Austen Marsh	88
Mark Birrell	0
Scott McNamara	20
Simon Farrow	48
Stephen Moran	0
Robbie Braman	51
Andrew Miller	56
Alex Hinkins	0
Ryan Taylor	0
Graham McNamara	0
Thomas Killip	0

Extras (12b 8lb 12w 1nb) 33  
Total (5 wickets, 45.3 overs) 296

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Russell Stewart	12	1	59	1
Matt Sadler	10	0	44	4
Josh Tutton	12	2	63	0
James Burrett	3.3	0	32	0
David Luckhurst	5	0	42	0
Kieron Burrett	3	0	36	0



# Collin back in the goals for Dover

## FOOTBALL

BY TOM HOWARD

### Boreham Wood 2 Dover Athletic 3

DOVER moved to second spot in the Ryman Premier League with an entertaining win at Boreham Wood at the weekend.

After racing into a three-goal lead, the Whites looked as though they would win comfortably but Boreham Wood came back at them and scored two late goals to make it a tense finish.

Shaun Welford followed up his winning goal against Margate on Bank Holiday Monday with another after just two minutes to help settle his side down.

The lead was extended when Frannie Collin scored his first for the season from the penalty spot after 26 minutes.

The game looked dead and buried when Collin extended Dover's lead in the 52nd minute.

However, Leon Archer's penalty 15 minutes from time and Lee

Allinson's 89th minute goal had Dover fans nervous, but the Whites managed to close out and claim all three points.

Boss Andy Hesselthaler said after the game: "We played much better than we did against Margate, which is pleasing."

"The win is always good away from home but there is certainly more to come from us."

"We have scored three goals away from home, which is always good, and for an hour we played well but we were sloppy at the end to be honest, conceding two goals."

"At the end of the day we have got another three points."

Hesselthaler has been delighted with his side's start to the Ryman Premier campaign and hopes they will be able to continue this rich vein of form throughout the season.

He said: "If you had said we would take four wins out of five I would have taken that."

"We have exceeded our target of ten points from the month. In fact we have picked up 12 from 15 so if we can keep doing that each month we will have a very good season."

• The Whites were at home to Horsham last night, for a report see [www.yourshepway.co.uk](http://www.yourshepway.co.uk).



Picture SIMON HARRIS

OFF THE MARK: Frannie Collin scored his first goals of the season

## Cugley expects new signings to do well

## FOOTBALL

### Sevenoaks Town 4 Folkestone Invicta 4

FOLKESTONE Invicta were forced into an FA Cup replay last night after they were held to a thrilling 4-4 draw at Kent League side Sevenoaks at the weekend.

Neil Cugley's side twice came from behind on Saturday before they eventually took the lead, only to be pegged back in the final five minutes.

Sevenoaks took the lead through Marcus Elliott's first half strike and the score was doubled when Andy Constable netted after an hour.

The Ryman South side got themselves back into the game through James Everitt before Jimmy Jackson levelled the scores after 63 minutes.

Steve Evans put the Kent League side back in front after 73 minutes, only to have that cancelled out by Jackson's second two minutes later.

Jimmy Dryden's third goal in three games gave Invicta fans hope they were in the hat for the next round but Adrian Griffiths



Picture IOR KIRKOP

HOT-SHOT: Jimmy Jackson netted twice for Folkestone Invicta at Sevenoaks

had other ideas as he netted with five minutes left to force the game into a replay.

In the league, Invicta go from strength to strength after their 1-0 win at Sittingbourne last Tuesday night. Dryden netted late on to earn his side three points which has seen them climb to third in the Ryman South.

Cugley has been happy with his side's start to the season and is confident his new players will only make the team stronger over the course of the campaign.

• For a report on Invicta's replay last night, visit [www.yourshepway.co.uk](http://www.yourshepway.co.uk).

## Second-half display nets Hythe FA Cup place

## FOOTBALL

### Hythe Town 2 Walton & Hersham 1

HYPHE Town dumped in-form Ryman South side Walton & Hersham out of the FA Cup in a dramatic tie at Reachfields.

The Kent League side had to come from behind to beat their opponents after Adrian Stone gave Walton & Hersham a 1-0 lead at the break.

Manager Paul Fisk must have said a few words at the half-time interval, as Town came out with renewed vigour in the second half to score two goals and progress into the next round of the cup.

Pat Kingwell gave his side hope when he netted for Hythe just five minutes after the break and the comeback was complete when the prolific Michael 'Buster' Smissen scored with 15 minutes remaining.

It was a big scalp for Fisk's side as Walton & Hersham arrived at Reachfields in fantastic form after winning all four of their opening games to leave them top of Ryman Division One



Picture IOR KIRKOP

WIN: Hythe claimed the scalp of Walton & Hersham with a fine display

South. However, Hythe have also been in good form so far this term and are yet to lose.

A return of two wins and a draw in the Kent League has seen them move up to fourth in the division and the club will hope for a similar run as last year when they just missed out on promotion and lost in the final of the Kent League Cup.

Fisk's side will have a tough challenge ahead of them on Saturday when they travel away to VCD Athletic.

Kick-off is at 3pm.



Picture ADY KERRY

IN THE RUNS: Kent vice-captain Martin van Jaarsveld

## Kent still in the hunt for double success

## CRICKET

KENT go into tomorrow's clash with Surrey still in with a chance of winning the County Championship.

Rob Key's side played out a thrilling draw with Yorkshire last week, a game in which Kent came back from the dead and almost claimed what seemed an unlikely victory.

The draw has left them third in Division One of the Championship, nine points behind leaders Nottinghamshire.

Key was without the services of vital all-rounders Yasir Arafat, Azhar Mahmood and Justin Kemp for the game at Scarborough, but hopes to have them back for Thursday's visit of Surrey to St Lawrence.

Martin van Jaarsveld was the rock of the first innings after he scored 107 of a disappointing total of 227. A sparkling 146 from Jacques Rudolph helped the Tykes, together with half centuries from Anthony McGrath and Adam Lyth, to 457 and a lead of 230. Neil Dexter held the Kent second innings together with 105, but a partnership between James Tredwell and Ryan McLaren helped them to 433.

Robbie Joseph claimed the prize wicket of former England captain Michael Vaughan for a 14-ball duck as Yorkshire struggled against a rampant Kent bowling attack.

When skipper Darren Gough departed with the score on 166-9, Kent and Key would have fancied their chances of claiming a famous victory, but former England seamer Matthew Hoggard and Deon Kruijs managed to keep out the remaining 28 balls to deny the visitors the win.

While Key's side continue to do well in the Championship, they are also close to gaining promotion to Division One in the Pro40 competition. Rain ruined their game at Northampton on Monday, but a win against Surrey at the Oval yesterday could have seen them climb to second spot.

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